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#### PREVIEW FOR JULY

The school administrator is more on the job at headquarters during the summer months than at any other period of the year. He even finds time to read more in these months. His professional magazine gets more of his undistracted attention. It therefore needs to offer him the best of fares.

The July School Executive attempts to do just that. Among its important contents are a description by Superintendent Henry C. Ducker of the use and importance of the Commons area in a new Long Island high school, Superintendent Franklyn S. Barry's thought-provoking article on what we should look for in recruiting new teachers for our communities, and the new installment in the series by Van Miller on testing for the real public sentiment regarding public schools.

These are samplers from the July bill of fare. The rest of the menu is just as good.

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### A Committee of One Hundred

It is five years since the United States Supreme Court handed down its decision which, in reality, legally outlawed the racial segregation of schools. To those who expected universal integration of schools in those states having a dual system, the results undoubtedly have been disappointing. To those who viewed the decision as calamitous, the integration which has taken place is viewed as tragic. Whatever the position, it is likely to be an unequivocal one. There are few neutrals.

During these five years some border states have almost completed integration of their schools—West Virginia, Missouri and Oklahoma. A few larger school systems have also practically completed the task—Baltimore, Louisville and St. Louis. In each case, months were spent in preparing the community for the change. Other school systems have undertaken token or partial desegregation: Charlotte, Nashville and Clinton, Tennessee; and, more recently, Norfolk and Arlington, Virginia.

States in the deep south, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana, have failed to desegregate a single school, even in part. Everywhere in the dual-system states the Court order has created vigorous antagonisms. Many state legislatures have enacted laws seeking to set aside and void the Court order. Tension between the races has been heightened. In several states, the issue has shifted from segregation vs. integration of schools to segregation vs. no public schools at all.

It is at this point that the people of the entire nation are concerned. Public education is a vital foundation stone of our society of free people. Destroy it in any state and the nation loses one of its most important bulwarks. So after five long years, the great issue has become: Shall obedience to the order of the Supreme Court of the land be given, or shall public education be destroyed and abolished in certain sections of the nation?

Unbridled argument will not solve it. More discussion of the wisdom of the Court's decision doesn't help. The very continued existence of public education is at stake. The unity of the nation is in jeopardy. What can be done?

Let's begin by admitting that mistakes have been made both by those who wanted to see desegregation take place quickly and by those who opposed it altogether. Neither extreme provides a climate for solution.

As I SEE IT, constructive solutions cannot be found without a period (in many cases a long period) of study, planning and decision by representatives of the states and communities concerned. I should like to propose, therefore, the appointment of a committee of seven from each of the 15 states having dual school systems, or an over-all committee of 105 persons—called a Committee of 100. I further propose that seven members from each state be selected and appointed by the state boards of education. Eligible men and women should be those who are not actively engaged in politics, and should be selected for their recognized good judgment, fairness, freedom from extreme bias, and the respect in which they are held by their fellow citizens.

It would be the task of the Committee of 100 to develop plans and programs for the solution of the difficult task of carrying out the Supreme Court's order for the south as a whole. Its further task would be for the representatives of each state to adapt the overall program to the unique situation in each state.

Each state committee would further undertake to select and set to work in each of its communities similar committees to implement the state's program to its needs and situation. Thus a related network of committees composed of outstanding citizens would be created.

It is realized that the work of the committees would take time, and that they would have no legal or law-enforcing power. The success of their work would depend on the soundness and fairness of their plans, and upon the respect in which the members of the committees are held. The proposal is based upon a profound respect and belief in the American way of solving difficult problems through reason, fairness and understanding. It is worth trying.



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Those who know Prentice Ford will appreciate that even after 40 years in publishing (enough to finish off any normal human, believe me!) he is not about to consider anything approaching full retirement. He will be announcing his future plans when ready, and we shall be surprised if they are not in some way related to the field of education which he knows so well, and in which he has such a large company of friends and admirers.

—Donald V. Buttenheim, Publisher



Prentice C. Ford

#### The administrator's time

The ever increasing complexity of school problems means that the administrator must not only ration his time, he also has to decide what he shall devote his attention to.

It is all too easy for him to convince himself that what he does is what he should be doing, even though he neglects scores of tasks. The administrator could spend all of his time attending professional meetings, or giving addresses before various groups.

One administrator of a large city school system a few years ago undertook to visit each classroom in his system during the school year; he thought it was important to be able to say that he had seen every teacher at work, even though the average length of each visit was 15 minutes. During building programs some administrators spend most of their time planning the new buildings, playing architect and even supervising construction. Some administrators explain that almost all their time is spent in seeing people who want to talk to them personally. One superintendent in a large school system decided it was important that he sign personally all outgoing mail with the result that he spent several hours each day writing his name. The point is that administrators have to make choices on how they will spend their time. Their value to the community depends on the decisions they make.

Here we should like to emphasize that it is most important for every administrator to set aside time for study and reading and thinking. Whatever else he delegates, others cannot read or study for him, and certainly they cannot do his thinking. Others can help and save his time, but the administrator must perform these tasks

for himself. If he fails to take time to do these things, the result is bad for the schools and for the community, and he will surely die professionally.

#### Requirements vs. credits

We have heard much criticism recently about giving high school credit for such subjects as swimming, driving education and typing. Without going into the merits of the criticism, let's consider another way of giving credit for such work other than the usual so-called Carnegie units.

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The plan has much to recommend it beyond merely avoiding criticism of Carnegie-unit subjects. In fact, some of us believe that the demonstration of competence is much superior to marks based upon teacher judgment. One expressed drawback to the plan is the difficulty in translating such competence into common quantitative symbols which can be totaled.

It would seem that there are several areas in which demonstrable skill is better than marks which indicate credit. Among such are ability in spoken and written English, in modern languages, mathematics, bookkeeping, stenography, shop work, art and music.

The plan in our judgment has merit and should receive further consideration.

# Erickson

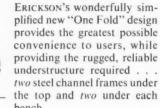
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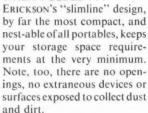


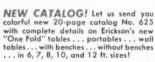


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Staff relations in the elementary school are often conceived in terms of building a unit within a single school. However, the relationships between schools, and especially between the principals of schools in the same district, may also affect the morale of an entire school system. Differences of opinion between principals are understandable but not always easy to resolve. Often the solutions may involve making unwelcome changes in the program or procedure of one or more schools. In this case, two schools share a physical education teacher; the administrators evaluate the teacher's ability quite differently and a disagreement arises over rehiring her.

#### He Loves Me-Loves Me Not

"IF THERE IS nothing else to be brought up, I think we can adjourn. As you know, classes will not actually start until tomorrow. This afternoon will be devoted to registration of new pupils. I hope all of you will have a successful and happy year here at the Center Street School. I'm particularly pleased to welcome our new physical education teacher, Miss Bellows. I know all of you will give her every cooperation. Incidentally, Miss Bellows, would you report to me right after this meeting, so that we can discuss your schedule? Good luck to you all."

A babble of voices arose when Mr. Rand, principal of the Center Street School, adjourned the first faculty meeting of the year. As he and the new physical education teacher walked toward his office, she said, "I know I'm going to like it here. And I can't begin to tell you how thankful I am that this job opened up during the summer. When your superintendent hired me, he explained that I would be responsible to you and Mr. Coxhead. I haven't had a chance to talk with him yet, and I am most anxious to meet him."

"Oh, I'm sure you will like the Henry Street School," Mr. Rand said. "Mr. Coxhead is a very fine principal. Incidentally, they have a larger registration than we do, so you will be spending Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays over there, and we will have you here on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Just as soon as we're through discussing our program here, I would suggest that you take a run over there and see Mr. Coxhead."

A few minutes later, the principal and the teacher were in his office, checking the physical education program. "Your predecessor and I made up this program last spring," Mr. Rand said. "I hope it will work out satisfactorily. You and Mr. Bond will take grades four through six; he will take care of the boys. During the winter we can make the auditorium available in addi-

By MORRIS HAMBURG, principal, Fulton School, Hempstead, N. Y. This case is taken from his book, "Case Studies in Elementary School Administration," published by Columbia University.

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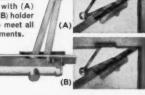
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tion to the gymnasium; you and Mr. Bond will have to settle the rest of the arrangements yourselves. There are some limitations on what you can do when you're in the auditorium, but I'm sure you can work out a suitable program."

"I wouldn't worry about that, Mr. Rand. I had a chance to talk with Mr. Bond about it, and as long as we have the space, we can think up enough activities for a worthwhile program. By the way, I also understand that in both schools the phys. ed. people are expected to have after-school activities on the days we are there. Is that right?"

"Yes, it is," the principal replied. "You are expected to stay in school until 4 o'clock every day. That gives you an hour to conduct a program of activities for the girls. Under the new policy, you will be paid extra for approximately one half of that time. As I remember it, the figures work something like this: Five hours a week for about 40 weeks is, say, 200 hours. You belong to us for 100 of them. For the other hundred, you will be paid at the rate of \$2.50 an hour. That will net you about \$250 a year. We had quite a bit of discussion about the payment for this and other extracurricular activities, and this is what we finally arrived at. I hope you'll find it satisfactory."

"Oh, yes," Miss Bellows replied. "I think that's wonderful. I sure can use the extra money."

For the next 15 minutes, the principal carefully explained the rules that had been in force regarding dress, length of periods, program, injuries, etc. Soon afterward, Martha Bellows left for the Henry Street School to meet her other principal, Mr. Coxhead.

When school began, Mr. Rand noticed that Martha Bellows fitted into the program of the Center Street School very well. The regular staff found her most cooperative, and the students seemed to enjoy their physical education classes. On one occasion in October when Mr. Rand talked with Mr. Coxhead about a bus problem, Mr. Rand commented that Miss Bellows seemed to be doing very well.

"I suppose she's doing all right," Mr. Coxhead commented, "but haven't you noticed that she doesn't seem to have enough 'get-up-and-go'? I like my gym teachers to have a lot of pep."

"So do I," Mr. Rand agreed, "but as long as she's doing a good job, I don't really care. I do know that she's having some trouble at home taking care of her father, but she's young and she can take it."

During the next few weeks, Mr. Rand noticed that Martha Bellows did not look well. He stopped her between classes one day and asked her how things were going. Miss Bellows, who appeared to be on the verge of tears, replied, "Things are pretty tough, and this business with my father is going to take several months before it is straightened out. But don't worry about me. I'll be all right, but I could use a good night's sleep! Come next July, I'm going to bed, and I won't get up until Labor Day! At least, that's the way I feel right now."

Soon after the Christmas holidays, Mr. Rand re-

ceived a telephone call from his superintendent, Dr. Allen Morrow, who said, "It's not too early to start thinking about next year. Going to need any new teachers?"

"I'm not sure about Mrs. Stern, in the second grade," the principal answered. "She keeps talking about retireing, but I've heard her say this for the past five years, and I think she just wants some encouragement to stay on. Frankly, I would hate to lose her. Otherwise, I think we're all set, provided the birth rate doesn't skyrocket any more."

"That's fine," Dr. Morrow replied. "Now how about that new physical education teacher, Miss Bellows? Are you happy with her?"

"I sure am," Mr. Rand replied. "She's having a pretty tough time at home, but I have no complaints about her work. Everyone here seems to be quite fond of her."

"I wish I could say the same for Coxhead," the superintendent said. "I just got through talking with him, and so far as he is concerned, we had better start looking for a new physical education woman. He claims that she just doesn't have enough pep to suit him. I asked him how many times she's been absent, and he had to admit that she hasn't been out even one day. You know, he never was happy with this extra-pay deal that we worked out. And he wants to be sure that he's getting his money's worth. Let's wait awhile and see how things turn out. Meanwhile, would you check very closely on Miss Bellows? You know I want to see both you and Coxhead happy."

Mr. Rand made it a special point to observe Martha Bellows more closely during the next two months. By March 1, when his annual recommendations were due, he was ready to justify his conclusions to Dr. Morrow that Miss Bellows should definitely be retained for the following year. Before mailing his recommendations to the superintendent, Mr. Rand called Mr. Coxhead and told him what he was going to say about the physical education teacher.

Mr. Coxhead's reply was immediate. "I think we're just asking for trouble. I've been here for 25 years now, and I think I can recognize a risk when I see one. This girl is going to crack up before very long, and we'll be left high and dry without a physical education teacher—just when they're so hard to get. I never liked her from the beginning, and so far as I am concerned, I cannot recommend her. The schedules of the other two schools in the district will be upset unless you and I share teachers, so shouldn't you think this thing through more realistically? I don't want her, and that's that."

The following day Mr. Rand made an appointment with Dr. Morrow. As the principal came into the superintendent's office, Dr. Morrow said, "Well, I hear you and Coxhead have come to an impasse over Miss Bellows. I don't know what we should do about this. You know I must rely on you principals for teacher recommendations. I talked with Coxhead, and he won't budge. Won't you reconsider your decision?"

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WHAT WILL PERHAPS BE the most extensive inventory ever made of the capabilities of American youth was inaugurated this month with a preliminary try-out project in the high schools of Houston. The four-year research study, now beginning "deep in the heart of Texas," will be supported by the United States Office of Education under its Cooperative Research Program, authorized in mid-1956 to conduct surveys in collaboration with colleges, universities and state departments of education.

The purpose of this study is to help the nation's high schools do a better job of identifying, developing and utilizing human talents. It will definitely not be a launching platform for any type of national examinations, but is planned as a four-year program only, to develop a pattern which, in the words of U.S. Commissioner Derthick, "will help educators develop to the full our available human resources in meeting scientific, professional, cultural, occupational and civic needs." The importance of the new talent search program, the Commissioner said, is intensified by the national need for trained manpower. "If the schools are to develop each individual student's capabilities to the utmost, these talents must be clearly identified," he pointed out. "We must have more knowledge about them and about the effects of the educational system upon them."

Projects of the Cooperative Research Program are financed largely by the Federal Government. Initial cost of the high school student inventory is about \$500,000. The University of Pittsburgh, which will conduct the project for the U.S. Office, will provide about \$75,000.

The per capita cost will be about one dollar, as a half million boys and girls in 1,400 high schools across the country will participate. These high schools will be chosen as a cross section of the urban, suburban, rural and special secondary schools of the nation. Number of students tested will be approximately five percent of the total high school enrollment. The

schools will be selected by a hundred coordinators, each of whom will be responsible for approximately the same number of schools. The tests will be administered by teachers in their own classrooms. The whole program will be directed by John C. Flanagan, professor at the University of Pittsburgh, and director of the American Institute for Research, Assistant Commissioner of Education Roy M. Hall is director of the Cooperative Research Program.

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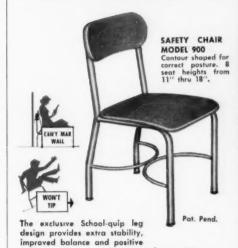


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ated from high school. Besides the apparent value to the guidance services of the schools in determining the nature of talents and career interests of students, the nation-wide inventory, if made a continuous program administered by the schools themselves, will aid the United States in maintaining a catalog of available human resources, so that we may know where we stand personnelwise in any kind of national crisis.

General chairman of the advisory

group for the project is John H. Fischer, superintendent of schools, Baltimore, Md. Finis E. Engleman, executive-secretary of the American Association of School Administrators, is a member of the Research Advisory Committee.

#### **Economy move**

The House General Education Subcommittee has reported an amended school support bill to the full Education and Labor Committee of the House. The Subcommittee made two important changes in H.R. 22, the bill introduced by Congressman Metcalf. The first was to limit it to four years instead of allowing it to become a permanent program of federal support. The other was to keep the amount allocated to the states per school-age child at \$25 for each of the four years, instead of having it increase annually by \$25 to \$100 per child in the fourth year. In this bow to the economy bloc of the House, the Subcommittee reduced the four-year cost of the measure from \$11 billion to \$4 billion.

However, the Subcommittee preserved a fundamental feature of the Murray-Metcalf bill. Federal funds allocated to the states can be used either for school construction or for supplementing teachers' salaries as the states themselves see fit. Administration sources had supported the principle of school construction only. In a press conference, Secretary Flemming launched a full-scale attack on the Murray-Metcalf bill immediately after the revision of that measure was adopted.

The revised bill recognizes the equalization principle to a slightly greater degree than the original one. It provides that whatever portion of the whole amount received by the state is designated by the state for teachers' salaries, it should be distributed one-half on a per teacher basis with the other half distributed on the basis of financial need in the local district as determined by the state. The original version of H.R. 22 allocated three-fourths of the sarary on a per teacher basis.

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The Senate Subcommittee on Labor and Public Welfare has closed its hearings on S 2, but has not considered the measure in executive session. However, since nearly a third of the members of the Senate have joined Senator Murray in sponsoring S 2, it is likely that the bill will pass the Senate in its original form. Differences that exist in Senate and House versions of this school support measure, if and when they are passed, must be resolved in conference committee between the Senate and the House.

#### "Sense of urgency" reclaimed

When the 50-member House Appropriations Committee recommended that the request of the Administration for supplemental funds in the sum of \$75 million for the National Defense Education Act be cut by \$50 million, there were fears expressed that the National Defense Education Act might never get off the ground. Among those who protested strongly against the cut was HEW Secretary Arthur S. Flemming. "I believe that if this action is sustained it will amount to a repudiation of the sense of urgency that led to the passage of this act," he said. "It will result in indefensible delays in a program that is designed to help make it possible for us to continue to deal with the forces of international communism from a position of strength by eliminating weaknesses in our educational system."

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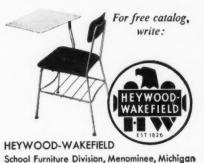
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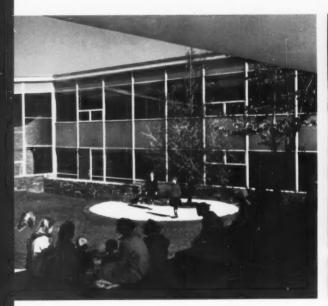
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Students have more potential time to devote to education these days. There are not so many tasks to be done around the home. Work opportunities for youth outside the home are relatively limited. Freed from these responsibilities, students engage in activities both constructive and destructive.

At the same time, life is becoming more complex for young people, as well as for their elders. What students must learn is increasing at a prodigious rate. Research in child growth and development and the learning process gives many new leads in understanding and satisfying youth needs.

Thus, extending the school day, week and year involves more than adding periods and opening buildings on Saturdays and during the summer months. New approaches to elementary and secondary education are needed.

Dr. Michael is superintendent of schools in Evanston, Illinois. Dr. Trump is professor of education at the University of Illinois. They are respectively chairman and director of the Commission on Experimental Study of the Utilization of the Staff in the Secondary School.

# IDEAS DIRECTING EDUCATION

The authors present new concepts for the utilization of time, space, competencies and content in the "School of the Future."

by LLOYD S. MICHAEL and J. LLOYD TRUMP

The ideas presented here in part grow out of experiments and demonstrations conducted under the supervision of the National Association of Secondary-School Principals' Commission on the Experimental Study of the Utilization of the Staff in the Secondary School. During the past three years, studies have been conducted in more than 100 junior and senior high schools widely scattered geographically in the United States.

This article presents a number of contrasts between conventional schools and some designs for schools of the future. No school exists today that incorporates all of the ideas presented, but all have been tried out experimentally in a few places.

#### Content, Methods of Instruction and Staffing

The conventional secondary school of today presents subjects divided into Carnegie Units on a semester or two-semester basis. This assumes that knowledge can be neatly compartmentalized. Moreover, specific subjects are assigned to definite grade levels. Arithmetic, for example, is taught in grades 7 and 8, algebra in grade 9 and geometry in grade 10—with relatively little cross-fertilization. General science is taught in grade 8 or 9, biology in grade 9 or 10, chemistry in grade 11 and physics in grade 12—each as a relatively separate subject. Some subjects are required while others are elective. Dilemmas occur in trying to decide where a given subject content should fall.

The school of the future will organize content quite differently. Mathematics might be presented as a subject running cumulatively from grades 7

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through 12. Although the content in grade 7 might be drawn largely from the field of arithmetic, certain concepts from algebra and geometry would also be included when appropriate. Computational skills and understandings in arithmetic would be presented and reinforced continuously through all grades so that fundamental operations would not be forgotten. The interrelationships among the various sciences also could be developed early, with concepts being enriched and deepened grade by grade. Elective courses would permit talented and interested students to pursue subjects at greater depth. What has been said with reference to mathematics and science applies to all other subject areas.

The basic areas of content, humanities, mathematics, science, languages, practical arts, health and physical education, would be required of all students at all grade levels, so that regardless of special talents and interests, all would have a comprehensive basic education. But these subjects would not be required on a five-day-a-week basis as they are now. The amount of time devoted to required subjects would be relatively large in the 7th grade but relatively small in the 12th. The converse would be true of elective subjects.

Instruction would also be organized differently placing more individual responsibility for learning on students and saving teacher time and energy from unnecessary repetition. This means that those phases of instruction which can be done in larger-than-usual groups of students would be organized that way. At the same time, smaller groups should be organized for discussion purposes. Much more time could be spent by students working independently, or in groups of two or three, in libraries, laboratories and other learning resource centers.

All of the potential avenues of learning are to be utilized. In addition to written materials, electronic aids to learning should be available for groups of students as well as individuals.

The conventional school places much emphasis on uniformity in staffing patterns. All teachers are expected to carry about the same teaching load, typically defined as five classes per day, five days per week, plus certain extra-curricular activities. The time of teachers during the major portion of the day is scheduled with students. Teachers are paid on a standard salary schedule with increments automatically occurring with added years of experience and increased numbers of hours of university training.

The school of the future recognizes individual differences in interests and competencies among teachers. Some teachers are more effective in working with small groups of students while others are effective in teaching concepts and giving demonstrations to larger groups. Some are more competent in developing curriculum mate-

rials or preparing tests, while others are more able at other teaching skills.

Teachers will not be expected to supervise all that takes place in a school. Sub-professional and clerical tasks will be done by clerks and other types of instruction assistants. Only those services which require professional competence should be performed by professional teachers. Lowerpaid assistants can free teachers to devote more time to truly professional tasks.

Teachers should devote the time of the day when they are at their physical and mental peak to such professional tasks as developing imaginative instructional aids, keeping up-to-date with the latest developments in their teaching fields, and improving evaluation. A professional career teacher should not be scheduled with groups of students more than 15 to 18 hours per week.

#### Student Schedules

The conventional school today schedules students with great restriction and uniformity. Standard class sizes make it difficult for students to work independently in laboratories, libraries and other places of learning. The schedule moves students around like pawns in a chess game. Even 12th-grade students who in a few months must assume much individual responsibility as college students or employees are not allowed personal responsibility for any part of their schedules. Efforts are not made to develop over the years a sense of responsibility for the effective use of time.

The school of the future should group and regroup students in relation to the purposes and content of instruction. Sometimes, instruction will take place in groups of 100 or more. Other times, students will be scheduled in groups of 12 or 15 for discussion and the development of interpersonal relationships. Much time should be available for students to work individually. The development of individual responsibility for learning will make adjustment to college and employment easier.

Time in today's school is highly segmented and uniform. The school day is typically divided into six or seven periods, 40 or 50 minutes each in length. All periods are the same length for most subjects. The same schedule is followed five days per week, 36 weeks per year. Time is relatively inflexible.

Time would be determined in the future by the needs of the learning process. Instead of a student stopping an experiment in chemistry because a 50-minute period was ended he would be able to work for half a day if necessary. If a presentation to a large group of students requires 30 minutes, that time will be scheduled, instead of having to adapt the material to a standard or 50-minute period. Flexibility will characterize the allotment of time in the future.

School facilities should be available to students for longer hours in the day, for more days in the week, and for more weeks in the year. The time of teachers during the week would not be extended because of these arrangements since professional teachers would not have to be in the physical presence of students at all times. Qualified instruction assistants would be used for some supervision. Those teachers who wish to work more weeks in the year, thus adding to their income, should have that privilege. Much of the added time would be used by students working individually on problems of interest to them.

#### **Space Utilization**

In the conventional school of the present, formal education for students takes place within the walls of a school building. The school plant basically is made up of standard-size classrooms. The arrangement reflects the uniformity that characterizes the present educational program. The principal difference between recently constructed buildings and those of the past are largely improvements in the use of color, lighting, ventilation and furniture.

Schools that wish to experiment with different sized groups in relation to purposes and content of instruction are faced even in new buildings with rooms that are either too small or too large, because most of them are of the same size. The critical nature of this problem is emphasized by the fact that during each of the next five years more than 1,000 new secondary schools will be constructed in the United States. Unless innovations are made, many of these buildings will be obsolete before they are finished.

Space, in the school of the future, must be viewed in a different context. It must include educational resources in the community as well as in the school itself. Education for the development of individual responsibility for learning requires space where students may work independently in laboratories, libraries and other resource learning centers. Space must be provided so a student may leave his work from one day to the next with a minimum of difficulty and a maximum of security. Space where various sized groups may be instructed requires flexibility so that areas may be varied from time to time. No one now knows how many and what sized spaces definitely will be required, so the building must be constructed to efficiently make changes as they are needed. Having discarded the standard formulas and concepts with which they approached the construction of new buildings in the past, architects and educators must think of space and flexibility in relation to educational needs.

The same uniformity which characterizes other practices is applied to the expenditure of school funds. The criticisms here in no way reflect upon the integrity with which school funds are handled. Considerable evidence exists that school officials have been unusually prudent in the management of public funds. The emphasis, however, has been too much on quantitative rather than qualitative uses of funds. Salary schedules based automatically on training and experience, standard supply lists for students, budgetary or legal requirements that determine state aid on the basis of teacher-pupil ratios, provision for standard-sized classes, or the assumption that everything done in the instructional program must be performed by certificated personnel are examples of uniformity without much attention to qualitative differentiation.

Administrators will need to continue to seek additional funds for school support, but they should spend the future dollar to effect better use of the staff and improved results for students. The changes suggested do not necessarily mean the expenditure of more funds but rather re-deployment in their use. Further improvements in quality are bound to cost more money. The public must develop the kinds of understanding that will produce the extra sums of money needed to produce quality education.

#### Need for Experimentation

The changes suggested and others yet to be conceived, will come only as the result of continuous and more extensive experimentation in elementary and secondary schools. A superior school today may be an inferior school a decade from now—unless bold, imaginative steps to improve quality are taken.

Probably at no time has the climate for experimentation been more favorable than now. The appearance of many statements suggesting improvements in education has prepared professional workers and lay citizens alike for re-examination of policies and procedures. The availability of funds from governmental and private agencies for conducting experiments has never been larger. The general belief that what is being done is not necessarily wrong, but not the best that can be done, can be very productive.

Research does not have to be complex or frightening. The provision of time for teachers to think about and conduct experimentation, the availability of consultant help from nearby universities or state departments of education, the provision of extra clerical help to assist in tabulations and reports, are only a few examples of assistance that can easily be provided in all school systems.

The NASSP Commission on the Experimental Study of the Utilization of the Staff in the Secondary School is one example of an effort that has been made nationwide during the past three years to encourage such experimentation. Questions and comments may be addressed to either of the authors of this article.

## Building Costs and Bond Prices

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The index of school building cost continued its slow upward move during April, reaching 233.4. In March the figure was 232.9. The volume of school building keeps expanding, as does the volume of total building. Building material prices have advanced and building wage levels continue their long-term advances.

During the past year lumber prices have risen an average of about 8 percent (1.3 percent in one 4-week period alone); nonferrous metals have risen about 6 percent, plumbing fixtures about 3 percent, and heating equipment 1 percent. In most communities fabricated structural material products are still about the level of a year ago. Glass is the same. Concrete ingredients are up slightly over 1 percent, as is true of concrete products. Clay products are up slightly. Most types of roofing are up substantially in price.

The net result is that the cost of school buildings continues to rise slowly. Whether or not this shows up in actual bids depends almost entirely upon how anxious a contractor is to get a certain job.

School bond interest rates rose very slightly during April to an average of 3.78 percent; the March average was 3.69 percent.

The Federal Reserve Board has made a modest raise in the rediscount rate from 2½ to 3 percent. The market had fairly well discounted the change before it occurred but it has probably had a slight tendency to cause interest rates to rise further.

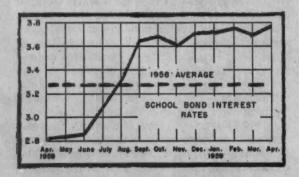
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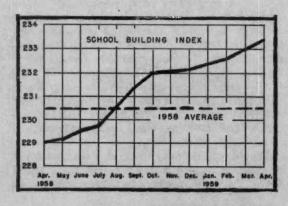
The total volume of business transactions has reached an all-time high. If business keeps expanding and if the Federal Reserve Board continues its mildly restrictive credit policy, it is possible for interest rates to move a little above present rates. However, any reductions of demand for credit in business could ease interest rates very quickly. Also, any change of the Federal Reserve Board's policy toward easier credit would show up quickly in school bond interest rates. Until there is some change in outside factors school boards would probably do well to plan on interest rates around present levels.

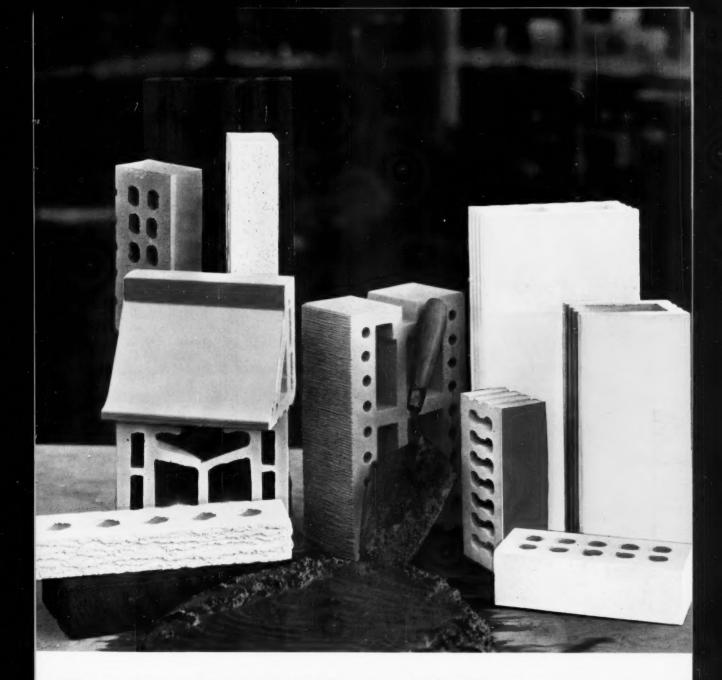
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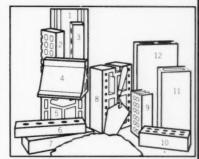


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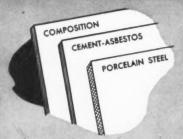
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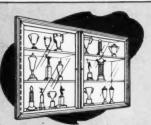
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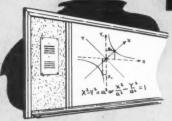


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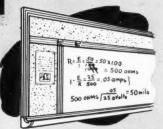
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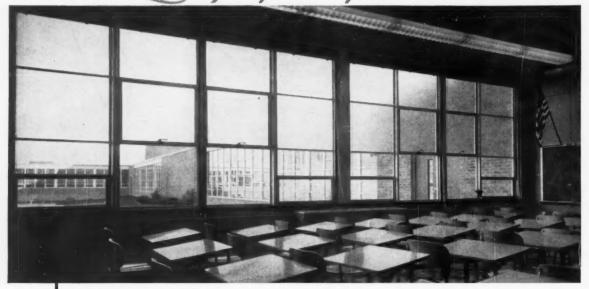
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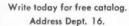


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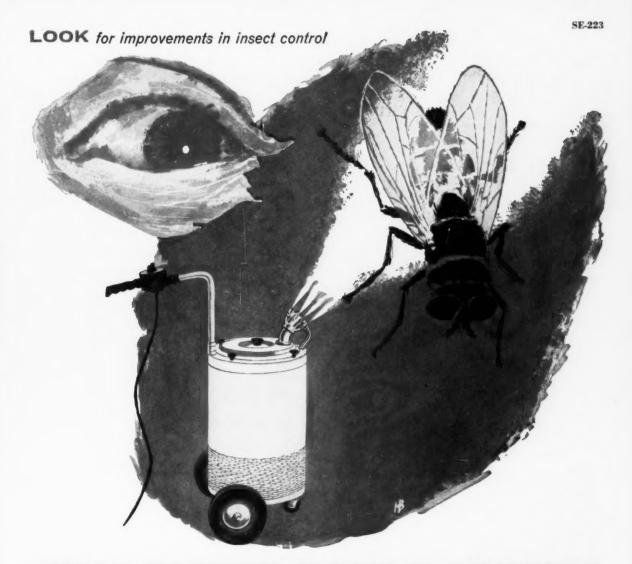
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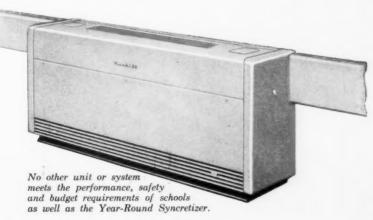
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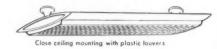
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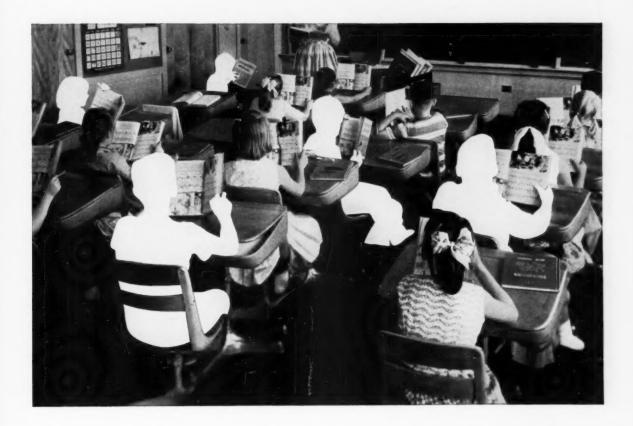


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Wisdom, vision and vigor are the ingredients of enlightened leadership. Their importance in the guidance of educational ventures are second to none. Professional publications play a unique role in advancing educational destiny. Excellence of editorial leadership is paramount. Accordingly, our publications, our readers and the profession have profited beyond measure throughout the 16-year stewardship of Walter D. Cocking.

In January, 1960 Walter will retire as editor. He will be succeeded by Archibald B. Shaw, superintendent of schools, Scarsdale, New York.

Vigor is both mental and physical. Throughout his editorship, and indeed over his entire adulthood in service to education, Walter has amply demonstrated unusual vigor on both counts. Fortunately, his intellectual strength endures and he will continue to serve us all, particularly as consultant to his successor. But who will deny the right to relax the physical demands on any 68-year-old helmsman?

The challenge facing Arch Shaw is great, but we can be confident that his maturity, vision and strength qualify him as Walter's successor. Commenting in his letter of resignation to the Scarsdale School Board, Dr. Shaw said he "could not refuse to accept this tremendous opportunity to serve the entire field of education in these critical times."

—Donald V. Buttenheim, publisher



Walter D. Cocking



Archibald B. Shaw

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Like his predecessor, he moves into the editorship after serving on the editorial advisory board for the American School Publishing Corporation.

# PLAN FOR AN INTIMATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### by WILLARD W. BEATTY.

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Assistant to the Superintendent Garden City Public Schools Garden City, New York Last Year Garden City, New York opened three new primary schools for children in grades K-3. The development of these units resulted from complex circumstances involving the need for new facilities, limited available sites for new school buildings, a desire to reduce bus transportation costs wherever possible and the attraction of the "little school" as a more desirable unit in the education of the young child.

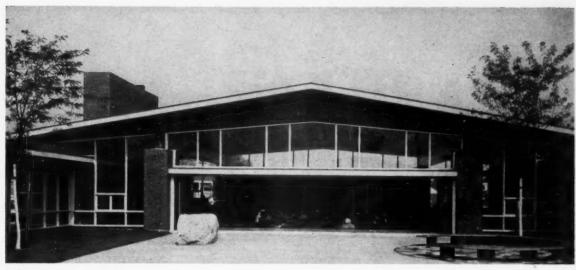
Early in the development of Garden City, which is a planned community, land was set aside for two elementary schools and a high school. Despite the planning and zoning regulations, however, it was apparent by the early 1950's that these three buildings were not able to cope with the increasing school population. A 1,000-pupil senior high school was then constructed which opened in 1955. During the construction it was further apparent to the board of education and superintendent that additional provisions for elementary school space were needed. Site selection was the major problem, since no space was available which seemed adequate for a large K-6 building.

Several solutions were considered, including additions to the two K-6

Inner courtyard is often used as a classroom.

photos: Wallace Litwin





Indoor-outdoor multipurpose room.

schools which were already large elementary school units. A sub-committee of the Citizen's Advisory Committee on Education in Garden City studied the situation and pointed out once again the difficulty of increasing the size of the existing schools or of building a third elementary school the size of the two present schools.

A study of village population revealed heavy concentrations in certain areas which were relatively free of heavy traffic arteries and which seemed to form natural communities within the village. This, plus the unsatisfactory natures of the other proposals, led Superintendent McDonald Egdorf to suggest to the board the possibility of erecting neighborhood primary schools to serve these natural community areas; the board and the Advisory Committee reacted favorably.

In May, 1956 a bond issue authorizing construction of three neighborhood schools was presented to the public. At that time the district pointed out that the schools, in addition to solving a site problem, offered the following educational and economic advantages:

- The homelike atmosphere of the neighborhood primary unit eases the transition of the child from home to school.
- The small size of such units and the less formal organizational structure are exceedingly desirable for small children.
- 3. They create adaptability to the needs of pupils.
- Opportunities are provided for pupils to assume leadership and responsibility.
- They make possible more creative work for pupils and teachers.

#### A Garden City "little school."





Kindergarten out-of-doors.





- Locating schools near children's homes reduces transportation facilities.
- K-3 schools with larger than minimum classrooms eliminate need for an auditorium and gym, art, science, shop and music rooms.
- Construction devices which eliminate square footage without sacrificing appearance or utility can be employed.
- Full-time administrative staffs and specialized teachers are unnecessary except for occasional consultation.

The residents in the areas where the schools were to be located were assured that the board and the architects, Perkins & Will, would make every effort to create buildings which would be in character with the community. The final brick structures are in scale with the surrounding brick homes, as well as possessed of the home-like atmosphere which was desired. Intensive development of the grounds immediately surrounding the schools was carried out. This site development was included as a part of the general construction contract and was not something to be added later "if and when" the funds were available.

As a result of this planning, the schools are now playground areas for neighborhood children as well as attractive additions to the architecture of their surroundings.

Final plans for the three schools resulted in two 12-room structures and one 9-room building. Each has three kindergartens and a multipurpose room for indoor play, music, dramatics and school and community meetings. The kindergartens each have a clear floor cover of 1,200 sq. feet and the primary classrooms exceed 1,000 sq. feet each. The total floor area of each 12-room school is 26,710 sq. feet, including a 40' × 60' multipurpose room. The larger classroom areas were achieved by economies in non-educational areas

Contracts for the schools were let at the same time, the sq. foot cost being \$17.22. The two larger schools cost about \$460,000 apiece.

Those involved in the planning and construction of the "little schools" in Garden City are satisfied that the original advantages foreseen for these buildings are now accomplished facts. This is one instance where a site problem was parlayed into what is a distinct advantage to a school district.

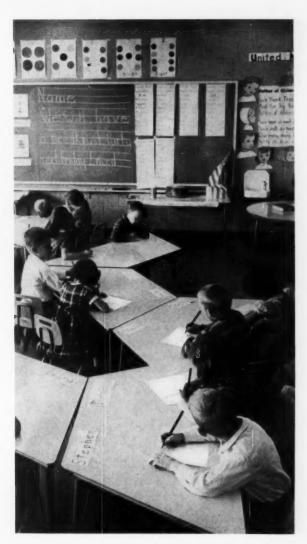


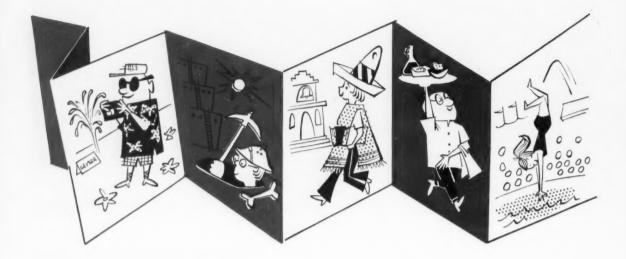




Everything in these primary schools is geared to a transitional level, that between home and school. Much activity, both educational and recreational, takes place outside. This endorses the idea that learning at any age is not confined to the classroom.







# teachers take to summer

survey reveals variety of summer occupations as teachers exchange reading glasses for sun glasses . . .

by ABRAHAM COHEN

As WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE never wrote, "There comes a tide in the affairs of men, which taken at the flood, leads to a vacation." Flood time arrived last year for the 1,020 teachers in the Yonkers, New York public school system at the end of June, but the devil, who "finds things to do for idle hands," found no disciples among this staff. What they did with their recreation time can perhaps suggest new ideas for administrators trying to encourage their teachers to profit by their summer vacations.

In all, 996 teachers in the Yonkers school system answered a vacation poll. One fifth, or 188, spent the hot weather months gainfully employed, on jobs ranging from narcotics rehabilitation work to waitressing at Grossinger's resort hotel. There were 71 teachers who did recreation work of some type (camps, playgrounds, scouting, community centers, settlement houses).

Thirty-nine continued with their professions, teaching in summer

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schools or tutoring. There were 12 who did secretarial work, five were employed in department stores, five were insurance salesmen. Four worked for the Otis Elevator Company, four more worked in Yonkers schools doing furniture repair and three sold real estate to widen their experience and bolster their incomes.

Others found the following diversified fields lucrative: hotel work, dental assistant work, hotel musician, clinical work, water show participation, administrative work, personnel work, hospital work, managing a swimming pool, law practice, nursing, pharmaceutical work, assisting a principal in a New York City summer school, construction work, foreign translation, teaching modern dance, precision optical work, banking, designing, cruise lines work, newspaper work, working in a textile factory, publishing a periodical, legal research government work for the U. S. Navy, engineering and auto repair work.

There were 85 faculty members who pursued further knowledge by attending colleges and universities at home and abroad, working on or completing additional degrees. The institutions of learning ranged from the University of Besancon in France to the Universidad Interamericana in Saltillo, Mexico. Teachers College, Columbia University, proved the most popular with 24 enrolled; Hunter had 19 and New York University, 14.

Other learning sites favored by the Yonkers teachers included Fordham, City College of New York, Yeshiva, Syracuse, New Paltz, Antioch, Michigan, Adelphi, Ohio State, Rhode Island, Seton Hall, Wells, Arizona, Brockport State Teachers and Fairfield.

Of the 24 degrees completed, ten were M.A.'s, six B.A.'s, four M.S.'s, two B.S.'s, one PH.D. and one B.S.A.

Two hundred and ten teachers broadened their education through travel, the most popular country visited being Canada. The World's Fair in Brussels proved next most attractive, with 33 faculty visitors, while France finished third with 31 teachers from Yonkers. England was toured by 25; Switzerland, Germany and the Netherlands with 21 ranked next as favorite vacation haunts. Many other countries were included in faculty itineraries, from Ireland to Israel.

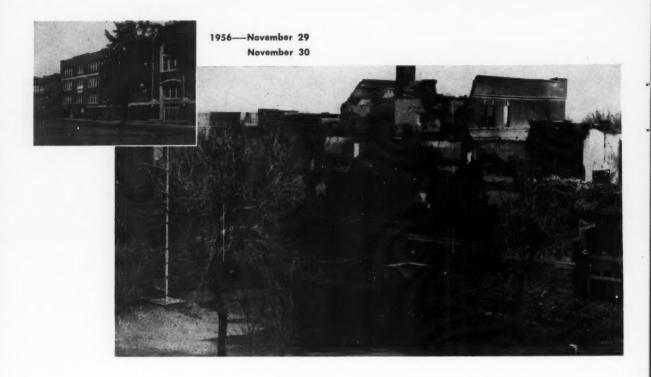
Almost half the teachers polled-

414—adhered to the slogan, "See America First," covering the entire 48 states, with New England having the most visitors. Virginia with 34 was the most popular southern state, Ohio with 28 in the midwest, California with 15 in the west and Massachusetts with 126 faculty tourists topped the east.

Under miscellaneous, 99 teachers found many more things to occupy their summer. One studied archeology in the southwest, two were on active duty with the U. S. Army, 15 attended educational conventions and conferences. Nine got married, seven worked on home construction (two built their own homes). Four farmed, while others took music lessons, studied dancing, went to dude ranches, Indian reservations and sorority conventions.

Finally, 42 just rested!

As John Keats might have said, "Where are the songs of Summer? Ay, where are they?" For Yonkers teachers at least, the memories of summer have been agreeable and constructive ones, pleasant enough to linger through the ten months of classroom ahead and often significant enough to add new dimension to their teaching abilities.



# AFTER THE FIRE IS OUT

A superintendent logs the two hectic years that followed the burning of his high school . . . and tells how fire losses could be reduced.

by C. H. JONES, Jr.

A FIRE ALARM was received by the Nevada, Missouri Fire Department on November 29, 1956 at 10:55 p.m. The 4-story Nevada Junior-Senior High School was on fire. From this moment there was set in motion a chain reaction that continued for almost two years.

When the fire department arrived the fire was raging in a closed industrial arts area. The fire was probably not more than a half-hour old when the alarm was sounded. It seemed certain that the damage would not be great. But ventilating duct work honeycombed the 50-year-old building; this made it im-

possible to contain the fire. It just did not seem possible that this 96,-000-square-foot structure could be a total loss. But, it was!

What caused the fire? No one will ever know. The most likely cause was spontaneous combustion; the janitor cleaned the area about 8 p.m. but he could have easily missed linseed oil rags, or other dangerous materials. It could have been defective wiring; wiring in the area where the fire started was 50 years old and heavily overloaded. It could have been vandalism; there had been a rash of window breaking just the previous week.

By 1:30 a.m. it was obvious that the entire building would be lost. One of the serious deficiencies during the fire was the total lack of any salvage organization. Even with early discovery of the blaze, the entire contents were destroyed except for student schedule cards. Looking back on the events, I am sure that all of the office equipment and records, the library, and furniture from a dozen classrooms—about \$25,000 worth in all—could have been salvaged.

A lesson to be learned here is that if the fire department does not have a well organized salvage crew, then the school should organize its own. In our case we could have had a tenman school employee crew at work in safe areas. But we waited for the fire department to give the order. It never came. The fire chief's major

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concern was to contain the fire and not to salvage school equipment. This underscores the need for a clear understanding with the city fire department as to what should be done.

When it became obvious that the building would be a total loss the first task was to notify 900 students there would be no school next day. This district serves a 300-square-mile area and this was not an easy task. Some bus drivers lived in remote areas. The school bus superviser was an important link in this part of the chain. All drivers were advised before dawn.

#### THE 23-MONTH LOG . . .

November 30. At dawn the next day the building was red hot and parts were still burning. The problem was to rope off the area to prevent entry into the burned-out building. This was a police function but the school provided a night watchman.

From 5 until 9:30 that morning I was unable to leave the telephone—newspapers, radio stations, wire services and many others were wanting the story.

At 11:00 a.m. the board of edu-

cation met in emergency session to consider four immediate problems. First, a board member familiar with construction was directed to get the remaining walls torn down (these were now extremely dangerous). Second, as superintendent I was directed to make an immediate survey of the insurance policies. The policies were in a fire-resistant vault buried under heavy debris that was hot and burning. Third, I was authorized to replace furniture, equipment and books lost in the fire. Fourth, a three-man board committee was directed to investigate the availability of temporary classrooms.

It was a strenuous day for everyone concerned. Work began at 1:30 p.m. to remove the old walls. A heavy crane and trucks started the work. The local contractor removed the old walls and paid the district \$1,000 for the building salvage. Four out-of-town contractors quoted cost prices ranging from \$6,000 to \$11,-000 to do the razing. Local folks will usually respond in time of great civic need.

The first order for school furniture was placed at 3 p.m. The school supply houses gave us priority over all others. Furniture was diverted to Nevada from other schools. Special discounts were granted and excellent cooperation secured. The first truckload of chair-desks arrived three days after the fire. A storage room was rented to stockpile the supplies.

The board had its second session at 7:30 p.m. that evening. Leases on an empty store building and a large garage building were signed. A lawyer member of the board did all the legal work without charge. Preliminary steps for a bond issue to finance new construction were authorized at this meeting.

**December 1.** The second day, workmen were busy remodeling the store building for 160 8th-grade pupils. The plan was to partition the building into four large classrooms and to provide heat, utilities and toilet facilities.

The high school staff began the work of ordering textbooks and necessary supplies which were to arrive in record time. When companies know the problem they are a great strength in these disasters. Additional discounts and special handling were appreciated.

December 5. The board met again to approve a lease on a partially completed church education building.

Because of the loss an immediate study was authorized to revise the remaining insurance program. All policies were examined and it was officially verified that coverage was \$750,000 on the building and \$73,-000 on the contents. Carefully kept inventories, an appraisal and other documents were studied. To a superintendent it is a great consolation to review a well administered insurance program after a loss. It is difficult to get a school board to give these details of operating a school proper study, but when a loss occurs, they are grateful that the matter has been properly handled.

December 7. Seven days after the fire the fourth board meeting was called. A study of the old 1855 deed to the high school site was made. Rumors were circulating in the community that the site reverted to others. A legal study revealed no such provision, but to reassure the public the board authorized the purchase of title insurance. Architect service was a matter of lengthy discussion at this meeting.

December 8. The board approved a lease on another store building.

December 10. The board met and inspected the first temporary building to be completed and approved it for classes.

December 11. On the eleventh day after the fire the 160 8th-grade pupils resumed classes with reasonably satisfactory rooms, new books and furniture. These pupils were back in class with only seven school days lost.

December 13. The board approved the use of the American Legion armory for basketball practice and the public library basement for band instruction. A high school site study had been conducted by an architectural firm and the state director of school building services. The reports were studied, accepted and made public. With 12 days lost, the 150 7th-grade pupils returned to



Superintendent Jones examines the school records salvaged from the fire. Such documents become vital after a disaster.

classes in the Nevada Motor Building.

December 18. The purchase of new band instruments was approved. The 9th grade returned to classes. The board appointed a committee to explore the availability of the land selected for a new high school. Architects were formally employed at this meeting.

December 22. Twenty-two days after the fire 60 percent of the students were in class. The board authorized a request for state aid under a little-used statute.

December 26. The day after Christmas the board approved the purchase of the new high school building site. Investment of surplus building funds in treasury notes was authorized. The board made formal offers to three property owners for ground adjacent to the purchased school site.

January 2. All pupils were back in class. In the temporary quarters it was inevitable that pupil problems would arise. The first day seniors were back in classes two boys lighted a firecracker inside the building. They were suspended and ordered to appear before the board of education for re-admission. The board had not handled a pupil problem in 13 years. It took prompt and decisive action on these cases. The effect on

the student body was amazing. Potential discipline problems melted away.

**January 9.** A resolution was approved calling for a special bond election and for an operating levy for four years.

January 29. The board met with a member of the State Education Department to discuss plans for new construction.

The board had prepared a statement of policy which was printed as a paid advertisement, with each board member paying his share of the cost. It covered a full newspaper page. The policy statement cleared the air of rumors and crystallized the public viewpoint. The board of education took a very active part in the bond campaign. Board members were frank in their answers to questions. They shared all information with the people. There were no secrets and nothing was withheld.

February 28. Three months after the fire the voters approved a maximum bond issue and a 4-year operating levy by margins of eight to one. It was estimated that 95 percent of the eligible voters cast ballots. Lines formed a block long at the polls.

February 29. The board approved the election results and authorized the sale of improvements located on the new school site. March 5. The sale of the bonds was authorized.

March 12. Owners of adjacent property appeared at the board session to discuss a sale price.

March 14. The bonds were sold. In selling the bonds a favorable interest rate was desired. Working by mail and long-distance telephone, an A rating with an investment company was secured in time to bring a net savings of thousands of dollars in interest costs.

April 2. The bonds were issued and the bond money safely invested in treasury notes.

April 5. The first plans for a new high school were presented to the board. In developing the educational plan every staff member was invited to offer suggestions in scheduled conferences with the principal. All ideas were noted and when the conferences were completed a review of all suggestions was made by the principal, superintendent and the board of education. A final series of recommendations was given to the architects for study.

April 10. The board met with the architects and approved a site grading plan.

May 8. The purchase of a block of ground adjacent to the high school was approved.

**June 12.** The site grading contract was let and a study was made of revised plans and specifications.

July 10. A revision session was held with the architects.

**July 25.** Final plans were formally approved.

August 21. Bids were received and, 265 days after the fire, a contract was let.

August 27. A ground-breaking ceremony was held and work began on the new \$1.5 million high school.

September 11. Previous planning began to bear fruit. Because of the excellent fire-proofing in the new building, the builders' risk insurance was placed with high grade mutual companies with a 30 percent dividend payable. The first change order on the building was approved at this session.

October 9. The board formally announced its intention to sell the old high school site.

November 13. The formal notices of this sale were adopted setting the sale for December 11. Complications arose after the legal notices had been posted. It was discovered that in spite of the fact that the site was in the heart of the business district, it was zoned residential. It had long been the policy of the zoning board to zone schools as residential. Of course, such a zoning would hamper the sale.

November 18. The sale was cancelled and preliminary steps taken to secure a rezoning to commercial. These little unexpected delays are exasperating and consume more time than major problems.

It was necessary for the zoning board to hear the request of the school board. After deliberation the zoning board recommended that the city council rezone the property.

January 3. The council held public hearings and the classification was changed. The school board met and fixed the conditions for a new sale three weeks later. Notices were published and the legal requirements met.

The community then proceeded to become involved in a controversy. A group of civic leaders proposed to purchase the site as a downtown parking lot and to sell it to the city. The city was to pay for it through parking meter revenue bonds. Many citizens opposed this plan.

Although the school board had no real interest in the parking lot, it was feared that with a civic group bidding, the commercial concerns would be reluctant to bid against them—thus lowering the sale price. At the auction there were three bidders and the civic group was high bidder at \$45,500. The board met immediately and rejected the bid. It was both criticized and praised for the action.

March 26. Another attempt to sell the site was made with no bidders.

**April 9.** The site was sold for \$61,-100 with two bids. The school board had persisted and had netted \$15,-600 over the first price.

Contracts were let on equipment for the new building. The total was \$109,174. At this meeting the decision had to be made whether to retain the temporary buildings into the 1958–59 school year. The choice was a difficult one because of the stage of the new construction. The leases were cancelled to be effective June 1. The temporary partitions were to be removed when school was dismissed and the furniture stored for the summer.

April 23. The cornerstone ceremony was approved. The ceremony was conducted by the Masonic Lodge.

At this point one of those unexpected little problems arose. The flag pole on the old site was set in six feet of concrete. The class that had furnished the pole two decades ago wanted assurance that the pole would be used at the new high school. This problem created quite a stir for several weeks.

July 30. Bids were received on the site development.

August 6. A contract was signed for this site development.

**September 15.** The first of the new classrooms were occupied, 23 months after the fire.

#### IN CASE OF FIRE . . .

From the fresh and practical experience gained from this disaster we have several recommendations to make to other school districts:

Prevention: Architectural and engineering surveys of old or new buildings aimed at prevention of disasters could be highly valuable. In our case the installation of fire dampers in the ventilating and heating shafts might have made it possible to contain the fire. Frequent inspection of buildings by the school board, firemen and other people can turn up danger areas. Around-the-clock custodial service would materially reduce the lag from fire start to fire alarm.

Notification: The superintendent of schools should be notified as the alarm is turned in to the fire station. His knowledge is needed from the very start of the efforts to extinguish the fire. Every school should have an organization of employees ready for duty in emergencies. Salvage of school equipment in relatively safe areas could be an important part of their duty. Their usefulness would

be dependent on notification early enough for safe duty.

Inventory: After the fire comes the need for accurate inventories and appraisals. Insurance settlements are based on proof of loss. In our case a 1934 appraisal was the most valuable document in the vault. It is money well spent to have professional appraisals of all property. These can save insurance premiums and can result in prompt settlement in case of loss.

Insurance: To carry less than 90 percent of the insurable value is to take unnecessary chances with a public building. Annual revisions of fire insurance programs keep the problem before the district. Here again, guessing at the insurable value of a school building is poor policy. Every superintendent and school board member should be a thorough student of insurance. In its 98 years of operation, our school board has recorded more words about insurance in its official minutes than on any other topic.

Sites: A complete survey of deeds to school sites should be in the official records of the district. School sites may have been deeded to the district with restrictions or reservations. Complete current information on these titles can save embarrassment.

Speed: In our situation the question arose as to whether or not a citizens committee should be organized to help. After lengthy discussion the school board decided against it. Their reasoning was that the elected board was actually a citizens committee. Also, the board recognized that the responsibility for decision rested with the legally constituted authorities. Time was important, too. A citizens committee might have resulted in delays. Instead, the board utilized professional services of real estate dealers, the State Department of Education and architects, and acted on their recommendations.

Perhaps the biggest challenge in the history of a school district may come through management of a disaster. It is good business to make adequate preparation for a disaster that may never occur.



### TAXATION

In Many communities where school bond issues have been defeated, it was found, upon investigation, that the citizens lacked an understanding of the entire educational program, and a sense of involvement in what the schools were doing and what they were planning to do.

This situation is more likely to occur in a consolidated or "community unit" school district—K-12-and-beyond—which has superseded smaller districts, responsible for only a segment of the educational program.

#### Name lay committee

Realizing this, Community School District No. 427 of Sycamore, Illinois took a significant step forward in the progress of public education in the community by establishing, in 1954, a Citizens Advisory Committee. It was made up of 12 representative members of the community. One of the first projects undertaken by the committee was a systematic study of the entire educational program, with a view towards providing recommendations to be considered

by the board of education in the process of fundamental decisionmaking and of effective improvement of educational opportunities for children, youth and adults in the community.

Assisting the Citizens Committee in this study were: the Office of Field Services, an agency of the College of Education of the University of Illinois; a Faculty Survey Committee; and members of the University consultant staff. In addition, certain other specialists at the University were called upon for counsel and assistance.

#### Study community

Members of the Advisory Committee were grouped into four sub-committees for the first phase of this study. Their task—to secure vital facts concerning the local community. These groups made a detailed analysis of the history of the community, paying particular attention to the development of public education, the economic base of the community, population trends and social services.

#### Faculty studies program

Meanwhile, the Faculty Survey Committee began to take stock of the existing school program. Six faculty subcommittees were formed

by AARON W. HARPER

Involving the citizens in what your schools are doing and what they should be doing will pay off, not only in successful bond issues, but in an improved educational program with strong lay backing. This article traces the benefits of citizen involvement in an Illinois community.

# with Representation

to carry out this phase of the study, each with responsibility for one of the following areas: curriculum; special programs and services; extracurricular and auxiliary activities; community services and relationships; personnal policies and staff; and promotion and reporting practices and follow-up study of graduates and dropouts.

Second step in the study was the formation of a tentative statement concerning the purpose of the public schools in the community. This was undertaken by members of both the faculty and lay committees, who met jointly in four subcommittees.

#### **Outline** improvements

Following these preliminary steps, the Lay Advisory Committee and the Faculty Committee were each divided into four subcommittees to evaluate the existing program of education as a step towards determining whether the general framework of the program of studies and services was adequate to the proposed goals. At a point where faculty and lay subcommittees came together to discuss the evaluation of each major area, University consultants met with them to help in pointing up problems and concerns, program strengths and weaknesses, and in developing recommendations for improvement.

Final task of the survey was bringing together major conclusions and planning for improvements. The Lay Committee, faculty resource persons and the Office of Field Services staff worked together on this phase of the study, summarizing conclusions and developing recommendations for the broad outlines of a professionally sound program acceptable to both faculty and citizens.

The committees clearly recognized that, although citizens of a school community (including the faculty) may properly be called upon to assist in the *development* of basic educational policies, only the board of education is endowed with the legal authority to *enact* or *adopt* such policies.

#### Progress report

Since the presentation of the formal survey report to the board of education in August 1957, vigorous steps have been taken to translate into action a number of its important recommendations. Among the accomplishments revealed by a progress report as, of last summer are these:

1. The general speech program for all high school students has been

lifted from a short unit in each English class and concentrated in one semester of the tenth grade.

Temporary farm shop facilities have been provided on the present high school site.

3. A course in home economics for 11th- and 12th-grade college preparatory students and future nurses was offered for the first time in 1957–58.

A room for educable mentally handicapped pupils has been opened.

5. The Girls' Athletic Association program has been expanded, and the amount of time to intra-murals has been doubled.

Additional teachers were added in the fields of art and music this past school year.

#### Approve bond issue

Most important of all, however, a bond issue for \$1.05 million has been approved by voters in the district to provide for the first stage of a new senior high school building. The educational program projected by the survey, including the accomplishments listed above, has served as the starting point for planning this building. Additional specific recommendations for farm shop facilities and a business machines course will be incorporated in the new building.

Spanish culture is studied and the language is taught in this California elementary school program . . .

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### HABLA ESPAÑOL

It was in the fall of 1953 that the first elementary-level Spanish class was begun at Bardin School in Salinas, California. A decison was made at the outset that the emphasis would be on speaking and understanding Spanish; great stress would be placed on acquiring a speaking vocabulary and on developing correct pronunciation, inflection and the other skills which pertain to oral communication.

At the time, there were those who looked on this program with a distinctly jaundiced eye. They felt that the time could be better spent learning English, or that there was no time to fit another subject into an already tight schedule. Despite these and other objections which are always raised by those who do not take kindly to change, the Spanish program was introduced. It wasn't easy, but pioneering seldom is.

Spanish was to be offered to all students in the 4th, 5th and 6th grades; there had to be a rotation of

by MILDRED RAMOS

Mrs. Ramos is teacher-director of the Special Education Program in the Alisal Union Elementary School District, Salinas, California. teachers while the Spanish instructor was in the 5th- or 6th-grade room. In this school there was available a 4th-grade teacher with wide experience in teaching foreign languages who had spent some time in Mexico and who held a master's degree in Spanish.

The idea was an instant success with the children. They were delighted and their parents were amazed.

The following year, because of the tremendous interest and popularity of this subject, the principal voluntarily relieved the Spanish teacher of two classes daily so she could spend a 20-minute period three times a week in other classrooms. In this manner the regular classroom teacher could learn the teaching method, review forgotten high school Spanish, or perhaps learn the language with her own class for the first time.

Several of the primary teachers who were teaching on double session schedule found their way into these classes. They in turn became enthusiastic about the idea and introduced Spanish to their own 1st or 2nd grades. In this school Spanish is now being taught from grades 1–6.

The method used is strictly an aural-oral presentation. The learning

period may consist of a 20-minute period three times a week or a 10minute daily period. The amount of time spent averages to about one hour per week.

Astonishing results are obtained with this amount of time. Vocabulary building is the main objective for the first few years. From the very first lesson the children try their wings by using greetings, leave-takings and courtesy phrases in Spanish.

At the same time they are acquiring a vocabulary by means of well-defined categories of food, clothing, transportation and such, so that there is a steady progression in building vocabulary skills. Wherever possible the Spanish unit coincides with the curriculum unit of the particular grade.

Vocabulary review is provided by contests, games and spelling bees. The study of traditional songs and native dances encourages an appreciation and understanding of another culture.

As the children develop a workable vocabulary and a certain amount of flexibility, they write original dialogues and adaptations of fairy tales. During the second semester of the 6th grade, the reading and writing of the language is begun and



The dance: el baile.



The store: la tienda.

the beginnings of formalized grammar are introduced.

It is the belief of the school district that the best and most enthusiastic instruction is handled by the classroom teacher. In this way many unused minutes throughout the day can be utilized for promoting another skill. Therefore, spontaneity and desire must motivate the teacher herself.

With this idea in mind a purely voluntary in-service training program was begun for district teachers. In these workshops a step-by-step method is demonstrated for presenting Spanish to children at any grade level.

A definite course of study is planned with steady progression from one level to the next. A handbook is provided for each level and detailed instructions given for teaching each unit. For those who wish to be more secure in their pronunciation a record is available which follows the handbook. In this way every effort has been made to insure an acceptable pronunciation for both teachers and students.

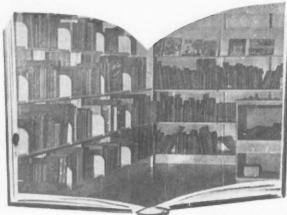
A program which began as an experiment has attained in the small time of five years the status of demand requirement. Every year the number of teachers wishing to teach Spanish increases. From this pilot program in the Bardin elementary school the idea has taken such fire that a majority of the teachers in the district are now teaching Spanish in their classes.

Language experiences resulting from such a program equip pupils for more rapid progress in high school. They possess a language readiness denied others who do not study a second language at the elementary level. There are advantages to teaching another language at an age when the student has a natural ability to absorb it. This ability is at its peak in the early years and wanes with the approach of adolescence.

Since it is felt that a longer learning period is vital to the acquisition of another language, children who are introduced to the delights of speaking a foreign tongue at an early age will be able to take their place at the conference tables of the future and converse with the family of nations in their respective languages. When the language barrier has been overcome, other people will better realize that we respect their cultures and their rights and thus education will have opened another avenue for peace.



The outfit: el sombrero y el serape.



## LOW-BUDGET LIBRARY

With more ingenuity than money, this district set up full library service in each of its 17 elementary schools.

by W. EARL WHITAKER

A DEQUATE LIBRARY PROGRAM on a shoestring? This was our predicament in the Redwood City Schools in 1953 when it became evident that the library program and facilities we had were in poor shape. But with a serious shortage of classrooms also, how could we improve our library facilities?

First, the school board employed a full-time district librarian. She was requested to make a study of the library opportunities in the district and to recommend necessary improvements in the library program for which financing might be possible. Our professional library staff at the time included the full-time librarians in the three 7th- and 8th-grade schools in the district.

All of the schools had some library collections and some attempts had been made by the individual schools to have these collections centrally located. But in most schools there was little, if any, space for locating a library facility. Most of the book collections were lodged in the various classrooms. In addition, there was little clerical help to keep an account of the books or to have them catalogued. It was a major task to organize these scattered collections to prepare for their distribu-

tion. As great a task was to discover within the school buildings where libraries might be centrally located.

As a result of the employment of the district librarian, much district cooperation plus a great deal of ingenuity, each school now has its own library center with its book collections well organized for distribution. Parent organizations have also made sizable contributions. The district librarian, working with the principals, librarians and teachers in the individual schools, supervises the selection and purchase of all library books. This assures careful selection of books and affords substantial savings by placing orders out on bid.

As new classrooms were added in the district, we considered providing special spaces that would serve as library centers, even though often shared with special teachers at times for other instruction. One school even found it possible to convert a basement area into what is now an attractive library; another used a portion of a hallway for this purpose. The three largest schools which serve 7th- and 8th-grade pupils (to whom library provisions are particularly important) each provide a well equipped library under the direction of a full-time librarian. At present

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these three schools have a collection of 15.250 volumes.

Our library facilities now vary in size from small rooms which can accommodate eight to ten pupils to rooms large enough to seat an entire class or more. In every case, however, children recognize each center as a place where complete library service is available. The volumes shelved in the newly established libraries serving the K-6 grades now number approximately 31,158. And we plan to add continuously to these collections.

Since full-time librarians can be provided for only the three large schools, it was necessary to provide other library service for the remaining 14 schools. Here the interest of our parents was most valuable. In 11 schools the parent organizations provide mothers to serve as librarians on a rotation basis. The district librarian conducts training classes for these mothers. The results are to be found in 11 libraries efficiently operated by enthusiastic mother-librarians. In the other schools, classes provide librarians, under teacher supervision, or faculty members share the responsibility.

Because school libraries can be

most useful to the instructional program, the basic curriculum of our district is the guide to selecting the books for our libraries. The books are purchased to fit into the curricular requirements, and used by the pupils to support the classroom instruction. Classes visit their libraries regularly for instruction in the use of the library. Children use the facilities for reference work and for work on classroom projects.

For many years the school district and the city's public library have worked together to develop in the children an interest in reading. This effective relationship has been stepped up now that our school libraries have been improved. Visits to the public library and its branches are made by classes at all grade levels for instruction in the use of the library and the function of the card catalogue. The children may check out a book at the time of their visits. Reading lists are also provided to guide their selections.

Each year, prior to the summer vacation, staff members of the children's section of the public library visit all of the classrooms in the school district to talk to the children about the new books added to the

library and to distribute summer reading lists. This, combined with the encouragement of the teachers, has resulted in increased reading each summer. Apparently greater emphasis on library use in the schools extends rather than replaces public library use.

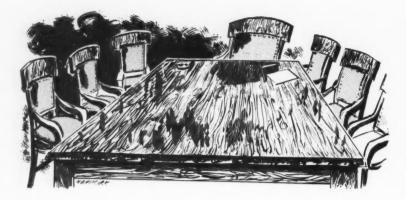
Another valuable service rendered to the schools by the public library is the loan of sets of books to teachers for use in their classrooms. This is valuable in encouraging recreational reading and as resource material for various school subjects. This cooperation from the city has done much to encourage children to use the library and to maintain an interest in reading.

In a time of classroom shortages it is reassuring to know that a will to provide a necessary service, combined with cooperation and ingenuity, can do much to provide adequate library opportunities for children. This is shown in the Redwood City School District. To be aware of the importance of libraries in a district and to do something about it is of prime importance, since the ability to read and the development of an interest in reading is basic to the entire curriculum.



Two of the new library centers in Redwood City schools which now shelve a total of more than 46,000 books. Full-time librarians and parent volunteers keep the libraries in full operation.

## Education as



A look at the relations between school boards and school administrators shows why these groups often "invade" each other's areas of action and prerogative.

UNTIL RECENTLY school board members, for the most part, confined their attention to the business specifics of school operation. Let the administrators look after the 3 R's; board members were concerned with the business B's: buses, buildings, budgets and bonds.

Within the past five years, however, the American school board member has begun to turn his attention toward those more fundamental obligations which tradition, history, law and the American democratic system itself have placed upon him. Now he thinks in terms of educational philosophy, curriculum, instruction and evaluation. This change reflects the growing citizen interest in education that has been observed over the country in this same period. With citizens everywhere prescribing remedies for the symptoms of educational illness which they claimed to recognize, I believe it was borne in upon school board members that unless they fulfilled their essential function and charted a course through the shoals of educational controversy, other groups could be expected to fill the vacuum left by their own neglect.

Now, the more that school board members delve into the most basic areas of their responsibility, the more disconcerted and even alarmed become those with professional responsibilities in public education. As a former teacher, principal and superintendent, I find this response understandable. To a person who has studied public education at a professional level and who recognizes that education is a complicated business whose problems seldom lend themselves to simple solution, the idea of "amateur" direction of our schools can raise all sorts of fears. Such a response reflects a broader dilemma of free nations in the growing complexity of the modern world, the dilemma between the demand for skilled proficiency on the one hand, and the demands of democratic direction of public policy on the other.

There are, of course, many school administrators who not only encourage their board members to assume the full measure of their responsibilities, but who have developed training programs aimed at increasing the level of understanding and information which their board members bring to their job. These administrators are rewarded by the kind of cooperation which can only come about through efforts to build a common meeting ground of information and understanding. It would seem that public school administrators whose personal faiths are founded in the democratic tradition would do everything possible to educate their own board members to the levels which will make citizen decision a realistic balance between public will and professional know-how.

Mr. Shannon is executive director of the National School Boards Association, Inc. This article is taken from a speech he gave at a conference on educational administration at Harvard.

## School Boards See It

by W. A. SHANNON

Research studies indicate, however, that the great majority of public school administrators provide no leadership in developing programs of either orientation or training of the board members with whom they have to deal. It is interesting to note that almost every study of the subject has indicated that school board members not only welcome, but depend upon, the guidance of their superintendents in reaching the decisions which are their basic responsibility.

It seems obvious to me that as long as educational change remains so subject to lay decision or approval, the development of recommendations for change must involve the participation of citizens in a position to do something about them. We have had enough of pointing with alarm. What is needed is more cooperative participation of all those who are in a position to render educational decisions or to affect the patterns of those decisions.

Only through greatly accelerated efforts to bring together the professional and the non-professional leaders of American public education will effective relationships be established through which educational problems may be intelligently examined and effectively resolved. Unrealistic appraisals of the sources of American educational control can do nothing but redound to the detriment of American educational improvement.

Let no one mistake the fact that

school board members throughout America will increasingly continue to look at their schools with a critical eye, well aware of their fundamental power to instigate any changes which they may consider necessary in the interest of the creation of stronger schools.

Let no one mistake the equally important fact that intelligent educational decision requires the wisdom and knowledge which only the trained professional can bring to educational deliberation. What we need today is a new and whole-hearted commitment to lay-professional cooperation in educational decision-making. The National School Boards Association stands ready to cooperate in every possible manner toward this end.

As the school board members of America look at their schools today, and look with new eyes upon their own responsibilities in public education, what are the major questions and problems to which they are giving their attention? Here are some of them:

Subject-centered vs. child-centered education. Is the division between "subject-centered" and "child-centered" education about which there has been so much talk a real one? Can the better elements of each be put together into a stronger approach to teaching and learning?

Meeting the needs of all pupils. Board members are practically unanimous in believing that American public education must meet the needs of all youth, but what do we really mean by that phrase? And how can we do this effectively so that gifted, average and exceptional children receive the best education commensurate with their abilities and needs?

National policy and local control. How can the demands of national and public policy and national concerns be reconciled with the demands of democratic educational control? How can the former be met without destroying the latter? How can national demands be effectively met without national dictation?

Identifying and rewarding good teaching. How can teaching effectiveness be evaluated? How can good teaching be identified? How can superior teaching be rewarded? How can potentially superior teachers be identified?

Educational television. Is television the major instructional medium of the future? Or will it prove only an effective aid or supplementary device? Or will the current enthusiasm for television teaching fade as did that for motion pictures in an earlier period? If television is the coming thing, how can a school district prepare for its more effective use?

Better use of personnel and facilities. How can teachers be relieved of non-teaching responsibilities? How can school facilities be put to more efficient use?

School program evaluation. How can the local district employ the techniques and findings of research in order to determine the effectiveness of the school program? What are the major criteria of effectiveness?

Citizen participation in school affairs. With the increased citizen interest in public education, how can citizen participation be most effectively used to bring about sound and orderly change in positive directions? What should be board policy and approach for citizens committees? What should be the board attitude toward the growing number of special-interest groups with special causes to foster?

Belltower: Arthur W. Ferguson Elementary School, York, Pennsylvania. Architect: Buchart Associates, York.



## **NEW DIRECTIONS**

There were several highlights and implications in The School Executive's Eighth Annual Competition for Better School Design, reported in the May issue. For the benefit of our readers, both educators and architects, we requested the jury as a whole and as individuals to submit their considered judgments of the Competition. The jury—chairman Eberle M. Smith, Detroit architect; John L. Cameron of the N. C. Department of Public Instruction; Philadelphia architect Vincent G. Kling; Donald J. Leu of the Mich. Department of Public Instruction; and William M. Pena of the Texas architectural firm of Caudill, Rowlett & Scott—carefully studied the entries and have given us their views, which should prove to be unusually worthwhile and pertinent.

We were impressed by the quality of entries in this year's Competition. The whole series seemed to have one architectural purpose: a search for interesting forms to express the varied functions of educational buildings. Some results were impressive but others were grossly overdone, with too much concern for roof profiles and structural shapes.

We liked the fact that all plant types were represented. However, there did not appear to be a set type of design developed solely for one particular region of the country.

Real creativity was not an abundant commodity. The top third and the winners themselves stood out for the creative manner in which they solved a problem. Simplicity was a keynote of the top awards—creative simplicity.

Air conditioning and artificial lighting are having an impact on school design. We are in the midst of a conflict between designs using artificially controlled environment as opposed to the checkerboard type design which uses the out-of-doors. We do not think these trends will result in compact schemes which lose closeness with nature.

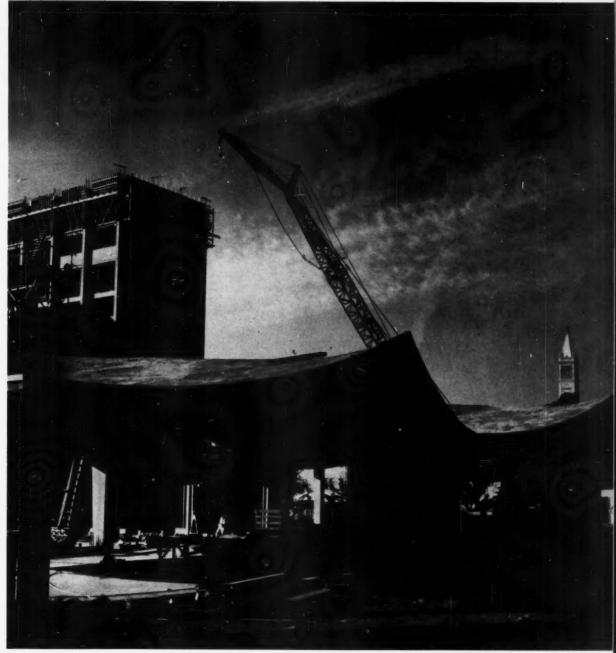
The jury felt that the elementary school entries did not disclose any particularly new designs. We would encourage architects to study all phases of elementary school design, with the hope that new breakthroughs may be made in this area.

One cannot help but appreciate the evolution of secondary school buildings. After lagging behind elementary school designs for years, they have at last come impressively into their own. The campus plan was well represented, along with nearly every other type of educational plant.

There was a disturbing lack of imaginative design on the college level, the prevailing trend being "the institutional approach." There was an absence of concern for the individual as a basis for planning college buildings. Designwise, college buildings were tragically inferior to the other groups judged. We also regret that there were not more overall groups plans for colleges and universities.

In conclusion, we feel that the Competition is performing an important function by focusing attention on the significance of better design for better school buildings. Members of the jury who have followed the evolution of the Competition can see a vastly improved quality in the schools being built today as compared with earlier efforts. We also would like to emphasize to architects that there are many solutions to a particular problem. —The Jury

# IN SCHOOL DESIGN



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University of California Residence Hall, Berkeley, California. Architect: Warnecke & Warnecke, San Francisco.

Of course the jury is influenced by many things in judging a design, but paramount is the plan itself which is the very framework of design. Well arranged, simple and direct plans always count. Beyond these, the heart of the design consists of the nicety of relationships and the beauty of the environment created.

Although I am sure that good school design is moving simultaneously in many directions and at difficult speeds, I was impressed by a marked tendency toward a simplified rectilinear compact plan, as witnessed in several of the top award winners. These were often influenced to a great degree by the wider use of artificial illumination and year-round air conditioning. Most of these projects contain units roofed by imaginative forms made possible by new concepts of reinforced concrete and steel;

these roofs provide imaginative relief against a rigid rectilinear background.

There seems to be wider adaptation of common-use areas surrounded by groups of teaching units. A fine example of this is special-feature Boonsboro High school, which employs the common-use area as an educational laboratory.

Interesting contrasts in overall planning are the two award-winning circular plans. One is the brilliantly executed hollowed-out ring shown in the Vista Mar Elementary School, in which the classrooms form the ring. The second, a special feature winner, is the Narbonne High School, in which the major buildings take the filled-in space of the spokes of a huge wagon wheel. Both of these focus attention to the center of a circle; great emphasis is placed on these space relationships.

-Eberle Smith



"The plan itself is the very framework of design . . ."

Conard High School, West Hartford, Connecticut. Architect: Nichols & Butterfield, West Hartford.

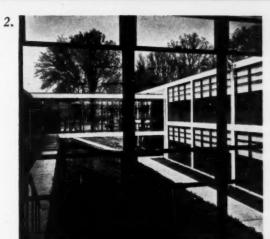




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- Creative Arts Building, American River Junior College, Sacramento, California. Architect: Barovetto & Thomas, Inc., Sacramento.
- Richland Elementary School, Memphis, Tennessee. Architect: Mann & Harrover, Memphis.
- Grand Ledge High School, Grand Ledge, Michigan. Architect: Louis C. Kingscott & Asso., Kalamazoo, Mich.



The emphasis over the past several years on the development of the elementary school plant has given way to new approaches to solving the design problems of secondary school plants. While the advances demonstrated are commendable, it is hoped that constant study will continue to be given to better ways of designing buildings to accommodate the elementary school program.

It was apparent among the secondary school entries that considerable attention has been given to minimizing the "bigness" element of a school. This was accomplished through one or more of the following methods: planning compact units which included interior classrooms placed back-to-back; designing a modified campus plan around the periphery of a hub with circular walks connecting the various buildings; planning the plant to accommodate the "school within a school" concept.

-John Cameron



I was impressed by the great variety of solutions to similar problems. However, the quality of the architecture, while very much improved over that of ten years ago, still gives me great concern for the college field. The evolutionary process hasn't taken hold here as it has on elementary and secondary levels.

I might also say that inertia on the college level is greater and change comes with pain. It is very interesting to note that the buildings which won awards had in common a sensation of sheer pleasure, in the way buildings went together and the way their architects preserved natural amenities. There can be no doubt that these architects realized an important mission for their buildings—that of satisfying the demand for a lesson in the education of student and teacher in the aesthetics of good architecture.

-Vincent Kling

The jury's task was indeed difficult because of the many entries of excellent design. The awards ranged from an extremely compact building enclosed under one roof to a highly decentralized campus plan, so wide were the methods of design. Unfortunately, the paucity of quality in design at the college level was still in evidence, while secondary school buildings stood far above both elementary and college designs in quality and planning. The creative concepts seem to have gone out of elementary school design.

Also, there was no evidence of close cooperative planning relationships between school and community agencies.

However, it seemed to me that the two blended ingredients of competition and experimentation, as contrasted with standardization of design and materials, have resulted in rapid progress in school building design.

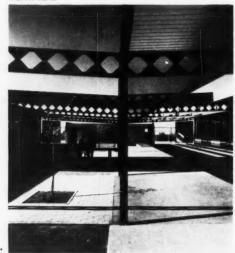
-Donald Leu

Robert H. Ford





Marvin Rand



- Addition to Fruitville Elementary School, Sarasota County, Florida, Architect: Bolton McBryde and West & Waters, Sarasota.
- Ferndale High School, Ferndale, Michigan. Architect: Jahr-Anderson-Machida Asso., Dearborn, Mich.
- 3. Highland Elementary School, Riverside, California. Architect: Caughey & Ternstrom, Los Angeles.



Capitol View Junior High School, Ramsey County, Minnesota. Architect: Magney, Setter, Leach, Lindstrom & Erickson, Inc., Minneapolis.

### "I looked for that spirit which bespeaks enjoyment . .



In general the quality of the entries indicates that the huge amount of serious attention devoted to school design in recent years continues to be fruitful. It seems to me that many of the entries not receiving awards this year might have won not too many years ago.

I was particularly heartened by the excellence of the top award winners. What did I look for? I looked for functional, beautiful buildings; for strong, bold, uncompromising statements; for careful handling of forms and spaces; for skillful relationships of outside spaces to buildings; for consistency of architectural treatment, and for that spirit which bespeaks enjoyment. These I found in the top award winners, in varying degrees.

The award-winning secondary schools represented different approaches to the problem of bigness. I sensed a desire for limited decentralization of components with many degrees of compactness in the one-story units.

The classroom component of Westmoor High School and the core-tech unit of the Linton High School are highly compact. Deep interior spaces relieved by occasional interior courts are made possible in these award-winning schools by mechanical ventilation and new lighting systems. While this idea of compactness is not new, these examples still can be considered as pushing out frontiers in this direction. This deep space concept involves the solution of problems stemming from emotional reactions to these spaces. Both of these examples have benefitted by the skill and sensitivity of their architects.

The award-winning Birmingham Junior High School and Gompers Junior High School, on the other hand, have well "ventilated" plans with very close indoor and outdoor relationships.

The Competition received its share of entries with folded plate roofs. At their best, they were used to express the uniqueness of the function housed and to add gaiety to a group of simple buildings. At their worst, they were merely new "hats" on old buildings.

-William Pena

# Are 12 Years of Education Enough for Today's Youth?

JUNIOR COLLEGES seem destined to play a more important role in our educational structure as life becomes more complicated and as the enrollment crisis in higher education deepens.

The questions now being considered are how junior colleges should be organized and how they should be supported. Should we bend our efforts towards strengthening the position of private junior colleges and encouraging their expansion, or should we extend the free public school system to include the 13th and 14th years as has been suggested?

If we follow the latter course, should every community be compelled to make provision for this extension? And, lastly, should this education be voluntary or compulsory for the students?

Lawrence L. Bethel, president of the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City, believes we should concentrate on meeting the challenge of the present degree of diversification in the private junior colleges before we attempt to extend our offerings to an even greater diversity of interests and abilities.

Speaking at the recent convention of the American Association of School Administrators, Mr. Bethel emphasized that the junior colleges have their own distinct and necessary place in American education and should not be made an appendage of either the local school system or a university.

"To now extend our common school to include the 13th and 14th years to which anyone may gain admission is to again side-step our professional responsibility for the most effective use of the taxpayer's time and money," Mr. Bethel said.

James H. Corson, superintendent

of schools in Modesto, Calif., disagrees with him. "As free public schools," says Mr. Corson, the junior colleges "should be tuition free and public supported." To support his point, he points to the success of the 13th and 14th years on a local junior basis in the state of California.

Since the establishment of the first public junior college in California in 1910, 36 institutions enrolling 8,178 students have been established, says Mr. Corson. Today, in California, 67 percent of the high school average daily attendance is in school districts which provide 13th and 14th-grade work.

Mr. Corson believes, however, that the extension of the free public school system to include the 13th and 14th years should be left to the discretion of the individual states and local districts. He also believes that the 13th and 14th-year institution or extension should be a separate and distinct plan, designed to serve specific functions.

Robert Kristeller, supervising principal of Central School District No. 2 in Carmel, N. Y., on the other hand, has submitted a plan to the State Education Department for the establishment of a 13th step as an actual appendage to the 12-year high school.

The regular high school building could be used after regular school, he suggests, and superior high school teachers could become the faculty.

This step would meet the needs of students who have not yet decided upon their life work or those who have not shown their real ability in high school, says Mr. Kristeller. It would also help those who need to work part-time to gain financial assistance for college, and those who need to improve their scholastic standings.

The equivalent of college courses for college credit could be offered, he says, and classes could run two or three times a week as they do in college. Students could be responsible for their own transportation, textbooks and supplies.

President Eisenhower, though not in such detail, went one step further in a recent informal conference. He suggested that American youth should be *required* to attend their "local free system" of schools for at least one or two years beyond high school. He avoided, however, anything specific on the subject of federal aid to education.

#### How-To-Do-It Color Film Released by U. S. Steel

NEW YORK—A new how-to-do-it motion picture planned as an aid to school administrators, civic groups and architects in getting new schools approved, designed and built has been released by United States Steel.

The half-hour long color film, titled "Plan for Learning," was given its official premiere before the national State Presidents Meeting of the American Association of School Administrators in St. Louis.

Basic purpose of the film is to suggest a broad system of procedure for communities faced with the need for additional classrooms. Through typical situations, it answers the typical questions which arise.

"Plan for Learning" was produced with the cooperation of both the AASA and the American Institute of Architects. Shirley Cooper, associate executive secretary of AASA, was personally active in reviewing the script and the filming sequence. According to Dr. Cooper, the film "should be very helpful to school administrators everywhere in their continuing struggle to get the classrooms the country so desperately needs."

The film, to be ready for distribution soon, will be available from the Film Distribution Center, 525 William Penn Place, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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### Conant Opposes National Curriculum Commission

STANFORD, Calif.—James B. Conant, president emeritus of Harvard University, voiced the only objection to a recommendation, made at a curriculum conference held here recently, that a national commision be appointed to study the history of curriculum with a view towards making priority recommendations.

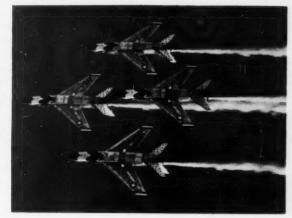
Dr. Conant's objections, which he presented to this Conference on Policies and Strategy for Strengthening the Curriculum of the American Public Schools, were based on his conviction that there is no "clear and present danger which requires any single body to issue pronouncements."

"I strongly dissent from the idea of any national commission," said Dr. Conant, "because there is so much in the air today about a national curriculum which might lead to a single pattern of education rather than the many diverse patterns which we now have."

While admitting that Dr. Conant had pointed out the possible dangers of a commission, the majority of the 15 conferees agreed that there was a need for strong statements on the real priorities in education and submitted the recommendation, along with others, to the Fund for the Advancement of Education, sponsors of the conference.

Convened by Paul R. Hanna, professor at Stanford University, and Ralph W. Tyler, director of the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, the conference included five laymen, five scientists and scholars, and five educators.

Central to the questions explored at the conference was the problem of balancing national and local objectives in the formation of policies. In close diamond formation, the Thunderbirds execute one of the precision maneuvers in the flight demonstration.



# United States Thunderbirds Inaugurate World Flight Congress Demonstration

By Belmont Farley

Las Vegas, Nev.—U. S. Air Force Thunderbirds inaugurated air demonstrations at the first World Congress of Flight, international aerospace exposition held here recently.

Thunderbirds are the world's first supersonic precision demonstration team. Having a speed in excess of 1,000 miles an hour, the jets are the primary weapon in the Tactical Air Command's composite air strike force.

Among the 7,000 spectators at this exhibition were 150 American educators, joined in large numbers by teachers from other nations. The American delegates included 30 chief state school officers or their designated representatives, 15 executive secretaries of state education associations, 30 college deans and 30 superintendents of large city schools.

The schools of this city and Clark County were host to the entire Congress. Superintendent R. Guild Gray dismissed school for the flight demonstration day. School buses and teacher-driven passenger cars transported delegates from hotels on the Strip to Nellis Air Force Gunnery Range, where the demonstrations were held.

Discussion sessions devoted to education were arranged by Frank E. Sorenson, professor of education at the University of Nebraska and chairman of the Aerospace Education Council; and Donald Kline, executive secretary of the Nebraska State Education Association and the Council's consultant of Information Services.

Speakers included: Col. Carlo Tosti, special assistant to the Commander of the Air Research and Development Command; Everett T. Welmers, director of long range planning of the Lawrence D. Bell Research Center; and Lee Dubridge, president of the California Institute of Technology.

Col. Tosti paid tribute to the schools for the increasing capacity of their graduates in the aerospace fields. He called, however, for a balanced curriculum with the humanities taking their place alongside science. His presentation included a film showing the missile launching at Cape Canaveral and Vandenberg Base.

Dr. Welmers described the scientific knowledge acquired in the new space dimension by the probes that pass through the earth's atmosphere, and urged schools to teach pupils to identify themselves with the concept of the new dimension.

A high spot of the program was the NATO banquet, where Bernard, prince of the Netherlands, lauded the NATO concept as the savior of Europe, and voiced high praise for the Strategic Air Command.

### Filmed Chemistry Course Includes 160 Lectures

New YORK—A complete high school chemistry course on sound film has been produced by the American Chemical Society and Encyclopaedia Britannica Films, Inc., with funds made available by the Fund for the Advancement of Education.

Based on data compiled over a year in chemical laboratories and studios, the film consists of 160 demonstration lectures of a half hour each. It was filmed at the University of Florida, in Gainesville.

The narrator-lecturer is John F. Baxter, chairman of the department of chemical education at the University of Florida. Dr. Baxter developed the course with the assistance of an American Chemical Society committee of teachers and researchers, headed by Alfred B. Garrett of Ohio State University.

The presentation, which includes industrial plant sequences and an array of instruments and models few high schools could afford, enables Dr. Baxter to cover areas of chemistry heretofore considered too complex.

# State Teacher Groups Hike Preparation Requirements

A BACHELOR'S DEGREE is fast becoming a minimum requirement for even elementary school teachers.

On April 7, the Michigan Education Association became the fourth state organization to adopt the fouryear degree requirement for membership, joining Kansas, Maine and Maryland.

Maryland was the third state to stiffen its requirements. A constitutional amendment passed at the association's meeting this year limited future membership to holders of bachelor's degrees.

The Kansas State Teachers Association also requires new members to have at least bachelor's degrees, and Maine Teachers Association members must hold a degree granted for a course of study in which at least 18 credits have been earned in professional-education courses.

The National Congress of Parents

and Teachers has urged that state congresses make similar designations, and that the National Education Association extend its platform goal of four years to include a fifth year for professionally certified teachers.

At its annual meeting in September, 1958, the Congress approved a resolution favoring the establishment of four years of college or university study as the minimum level of professional preparation for all beginning teachers, kindergarten through grade 12.

According to an NEA study made in 1958–59, 75.3 percent of elementary school teachers in 43 states now have four or more years of college preparation. Oklahoma ranks first with 99.6 percent and South Dakota last with 11.8 percent.

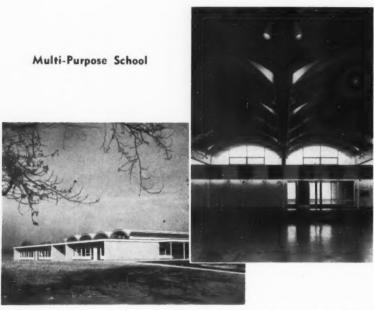
Maine ranks 37th with 38.9 percent, Kansas 29th with 66.2 percent, and Maryland 22nd with 73.6 percent. No data is available from Michigan, Idaho, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania or Rhode Island.

Commenting on the Maryland amendment, T. M. Stinnett, executive secretary of the National Council on Teacher Education and Professional Standards, said, "Membership itself in a teachers' association should say to the public that this person meets at least the minimum requirements of competence."

#### Gifted High School Youths Take University Courses

Washington—Several thousand talented high school youths are studying college-level mathematics, science and engineering at 105 institutions this summer under a grant from the National Science Foundation.

The pre-college summer centers are operated under a \$1.6 million grant from the Foundation. A majority of the programs are entirely free to the students. Some of the participating institutions, however, ask the student to pay part of his own costs.



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### School called "rest cure"

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Approx. Clearance between Shelves	111/6"	71/4"	53/8"	111/8"	71/8"	53/8"	131/4"	83/8"	81/8"
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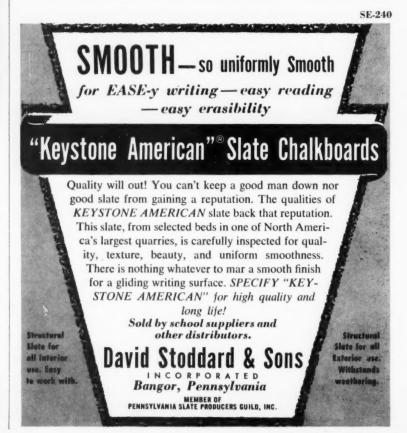
NEW YORK—This country will need at least 425,000 new college teachers between now and 1970, according to Ray C. Maul, assistant director of the research division of the National Education Association.

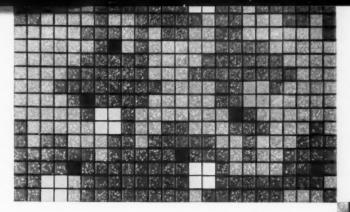
Dr. Maul made this prediction at the 13th annual Higher Education Conference at New York University. He observed that, while undergraduate colleges produce the new supply of elementary and secondary school teachers, "only the graduate schools can produce college teachers equal to the service we expect of them."

Most colleges prefer persons with Ph.D. degrees, but the production rate of Ph.D.'s is only about 9,000 a year in the nation's 160-odd graduate schools, and only one out of five persons earning doctorate degrees eventually enters teaching.

## Statistically Speaking

- The current graduating class of college seniors will produce 47,490 prospective new elementary-school teachers. This is an overall jump of 4.8 percent over the 1958 class of 45,318.
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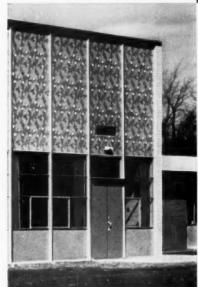
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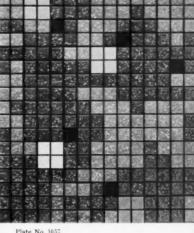


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### SPOTLIGHT

## Language Major Problem For Puerto Rican Pupils

New York-Difficulty with the language has been identified as the major problem confronting Puerto Rican school children here.

A report made public recently by the Board of Education states that about half of the Puerto Rican children in city schools need special help in overcoming language difficulties, and that 17 percent of them do not speak English at all.

John J. Theobald, superintendent of schools, says the city school system must first concentrate on teaching English to Puerto Rican arrivals. The inability of many of them to speak English has created "much hurt, resentment, frustration" and some behavioral problems, he said in an interview.

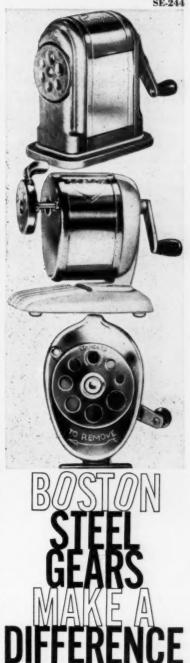
The report, based on a 4-year study that cost \$1 million, called for the development of a procedure for classifying children according to their knowledge of English.

A uniform policy must be formulated for the reception, screening, placement and periodic assessment of non-English-speaking pupils, it said. It also recommended that vocabulary, structure and quality of speech sound be interrelated in teaching English.

The report also recommends changes in the formula for awarding state aid to classes for non-Englishspeaking pupils. At present, small classes in which half the pupils cannot speak English qualify for special funds.

This has prompted school officials to distribute non-English-speaking pupils in as many classes as possible while meeting the 50 percent requirement, while the best concentration is 30 to 35 percent non-English-speaking pupils.

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Those named for the awards were: James B. Culbertson, Cornell College, Mount Vernon, Iowa; Louis F. Fieser, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.; Roy I. Grady, Wooster College, Wooster, Ohio; Hans B. Jonassen, Tulane University, New Orleans, La.; Louise Kelley, Goucher College, Baltimore, Md.; and Richard E. Powell, University of California, Berkeley, Calif.

## NAVA Publishes Directory Of Audio-Visual Dealers

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Single copies of the directory are available free of charge to audiovisual users from the National Audio-Visual Association, Box 337, Fairfax, Va.

## META Suspends Activities Because of Fund Shortage

New York—The Metropolitan Educational Television Association will suspend its activities on June 30 due to a shortage of funds.

The organization will focus its future energies on the acquisition of a full-time VHF (Very High Frequency) educational TV station for this area. A fund-raising campaign toward this goal will start on Oct. 1.

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## SPOTLIGHT

## Quality, Quantity Education Theme of DAVI Convention

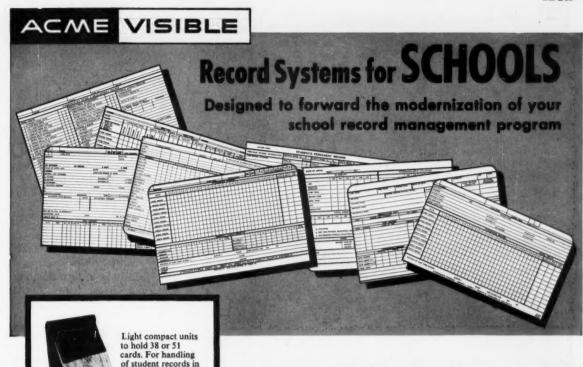
By F. T. Mathewson

SEATTLE — Over 1,100 educators from most of the states, Hawaii and Canada registered for the annual convention of the Department of Audio-Visual Instruction of the NEA held here recently.

Following the theme "Quality, Quantity Education," the speakers held that we have a challenging frontier in new teaching tools and that teachers, like industrial leaders, must make use of these tools. It was pointed out that classes do not have to be the same size and that research proves efficient lecture and demonstration instruction can be given large classes by television, motion pictures and recordings.

The National Defense Education Act was almost a theme in itself, being considered in one general and 11 section meetings. Speakers emphasized the opportunities and responsibilities of audio-visual personnel under the Act, as audio-visual devices provide modern instructional tools for the science, mathematics, foreign language, guidance and research categories specified in the Act. The NDEA was called a breakthrough in federal aid to education and A-v directors were urged to work diligently for its success. The convention voted to support the Murray-Metcalf bill and federal aid to all areas of the curriculum. Practically every session used one or more audio-visual presentations with the new NEA film "It's Up to Congress" shown at a general meeting.

President Charles F. Schuller, director of the Audio-Visual Center at Michigan State University, presided at the business meeting in which the new president, Walter S. Bell, director of Audio-Visual Education of the Atlanta, Ga. Public Schools was installed. James D. Finn, professor of education at the University of Southern California, is president-elect.



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Meanwhile, the state universities and colleges report that the extended fiscal crisis has lowered staff morale.

W. K. Pierpont, vice president in charge of finance for the University of Michigan, says that his institution has borrowed \$4 million, owes creditors \$900,000, and needs \$3.65 million to meet payrolls.

Philip J. May, vice president and treasurer of Michigan State University, warns that his institution needs at least \$2.6 million to meet payrolls.

Even the schools are feeling the effects of the Michigan money situation.

Both students and placement directors in colleges in Ohio and Indiana report that the state's financial condition is frequently mentioned as a reason for students' hesitating to apply for teaching positions in Michigan.

Republicans and Democrats disagree on just how this financial crisis should be met. Republicans are pushing for a one percent increase in the three percent use tax. Democrats want a new income tax and liquidation of the \$50 million veterans trust fund.

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Ninety-four percent of the capital-improvement and equipment-purchase special tax levies submitted to voters in 1958 were approved. The percentage in 1957 was also the same, but this was again a drop from the 96 percent approved in 1956.

These figures and others are given in "The Disposition of School Bond Issues and Special School Levies Submitted to the Voters in Ohio School Districts in 1958," a report compiled by W. R. Flesher and Max Evans for the Bureau of Educational Research and Service, College of Education, Ohio State University.





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## **Educators in the Headlines**

• Donald F. Kline, executive secretary of the Nebraska State Education Association, and editor of the Nebraska Education News, has been named special assistant to Commissioner of Education Lawrence G. Derthick.

- · Clyde Parker, assistant superintendent of the Oak Park Elementary Schools, has been appointed superintendent of the Niles Township Community High School, Skokie, Illinois, effective July 1.
- Cyril G. Sargent will be on leave from the Graduate School of Education of Harvard University through August, 1959 to serve as a consultant to Educational Facilities Laboratories, Inc., New York.

· Four school administrators have been appointed staff associates to the Midwest Administration Center. The new appointees are: Virgil E. Blanke, superintendent of schools in Napoleon, Ohio; Charles F. Faber, principal of the Sixth Street Elementary School, Geneva, Illinois; W. E. Hartrick, supervising principal of School District No. 11, Trail, British Columbia, Canada; and Richard J. Hills, assistant director of elementary schools in Cody, Wyoming.

• Margaret Gill, associate secretary of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, becomes executive secretary of that organization on July 1. Dr. Gill succeeds Rodney Tillman, whose three-vear term as executive secretary expires this summer.

• Lynn M. Bartlett has won reelection as Michigan Superintendent of Public Instruction. The 54-year-old educator is the first Democrat in the history of Michigan to be reelected to the state's highest school

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Charles E. Reid, president of the board, conceived the idea of the classes. His program is similar to one begun last year in Closter, where newly elected officials study facts of municipal government in classes at Northern Valley Regional High School.

In explaining his plan, Mr. Reid said, "Half of the problems in government are due to a lack of information and facts on the part of those in government. There are many persons in public life who don't know what they are doing. When you spend \$2.5 million a year there is no time for fooling around."

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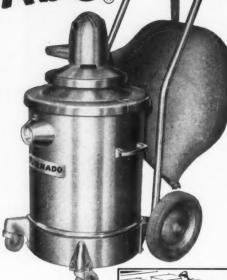
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## Congress Asked to Speed Guidance Appropriations

CLEVELAND—Congress was urged to speed up appropriations of funds for guidance programs in the nation's schools at the closing session of the 39th annual convention of the National Association of Women Deans and Counselors here.

Funds for such programs were guaranteed in the passage of the National Defense Education Act of 1958, but the money has been slow in trickling down to the schools, delegates said.

Nawd members also voted for an amendment to Title V of the Act. They recommended that Part B be expanded to include counselors and student personnel workers on the college level. The present wording limits the provisions to guidance workers on the secondary school level.

### Rockefeller Vetoes Bill To Permit Use of Force

ALBANY, N. Y.—Gov. Rockefeller has vetoed a bill permitting public school teachers to use "reasonable force" on their pupils to "restrain or correct" them.

The Senate had approved the bill by a vote of 35 to 21 after passage in the Assembly under the sponsorship of Joseph R. Corso, Brooklyn Democrat. A similar bill was vetoed by Gov. Averell Harriman last year.

The bill was designed primarily to give teachers in New York City schools the right to inflict corporal punishment. A Board of Education ruling forbids them to do so.

The Corso bill would have superseded this and other local restrictions. It specifically denied Boards of Education the authority to ban the use of force.

The measure aroused bitter controversy during its passage through the legislature. Parent and education groups said that it was oldfashioned, unworkable and ambiguous. Supporters thought a little strict treatment was what school





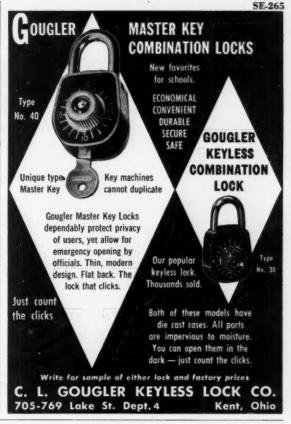
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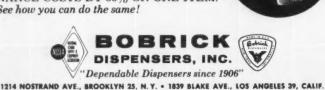
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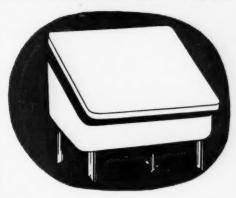
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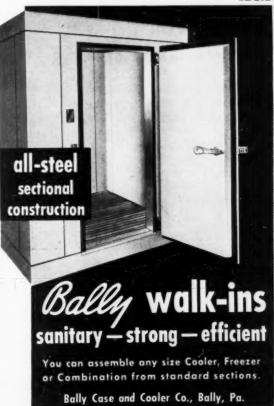
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Of the 280 Advanced Standing men in this year's entering class at Harvard, 55 were admitted directly into the sophomore class. Another 11 students entered Harvard as freshmen after their 11th year in school, without secondary school diplomas.

## All-Day Workshop Draws 600 Cafeteria Workers

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Attendance at a recent all-day cafeteria workshop held at the University of Buffalo exceeded all expectations.

Over 600 cafeteria workers from 33 member schools participated in the program, coordinated by Donald Wollower, assistant executive secretary of the Western New York School Study Council.

Economy measures, interpreting the cafeteria program, sharing techniques, use of surplus materials, healthful handling of school lunch foods and methods and shortcuts in baking were topics explored.

Ross Willink, principal of Maryvale High School, was the keynote speaker. His address covered the educational objectives of the school lunch program and the correlation of lunch with such topics as health, biology and business.

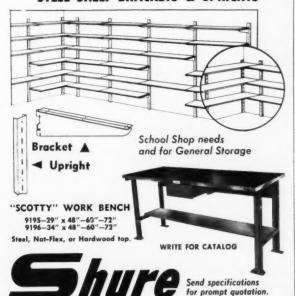
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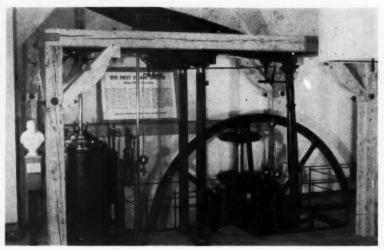


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Prince Akihito and his bride.

Kensetsu Nakahama, 19-year-old son of a prosperous farm family in Nagana Prefecture, is reported to have told police shortly after his arrest that his misanthropy grew worse after he failed the entrance examinations to three universities.

Some major concerns in Japan hire only graduates of certain selective universities.

## **Controversy Develops Over University Segregation Bill**

CAPETOWN, South Africa-Controversy has developed here over a new bill to provide university segregation.

The bill will end the "open" status of the Universities of Capetown and the Witwatersrand and provide that Negroes of Zulu, Sotho and Xhosa origin must attend institutions being developed under the Department of Bantu Education.

The measure, officially titled the Extension of University Education Bill, would ban the attendance of nonwhite students at white universities after a certain date.

## Inferior Education Claimed For Young Yankees Abroad

WARSAW-A compaint that the United States is doing nothing to educate the children of most of its diplomats abroad is voiced by A. M. Rosenthal, foreign correspondent for the N. Y. Times in that newspaper's magazine section.

"There are thousands of American children all over the world who are getting second-rate education in fourth-rate schools," says Mr. Rosenthal. He blames it in part on the standard of teaching.

The American school in this city, says Mr. Rosenthal, was able to engage only one professional teacher this year.

## Children's Hearts Screened By Public Health Service

CHICAGO—The heartbeats of 40,000 public elementary school children are being recorded by the Public Health Service in a new study here.

Purpose of the study is to test the practicability of mass screening as a method of finding children with possible heart defects.

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- 23–26, Natl. Commission on Teacher Education & Professional Standards, NEA. At University of Kansas, Lawrence. Ex. Sec: T. M. Stinnett.
- 23–24, School Law Conference. At Duke University, Durham, N. C. Program Chairman, E. C. Bolmeier, Duke University.
- 28-July 3, Natl. Education Assn. of the U. S. At St. Louis, Mo. Ex. Sec: Wm. G. Carr, 1201 16 St., NW, Washington 6, D. C.

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- 6—10, Natl. School Public Relations Assn., NEA. At Washington, D. C. Ex. Sec: Roy K. Wilson.
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- 25–28, Natl. Audio-Visual Assn. At Chicago. Ex. V. P.: Don White, Box 337, Fairfax, Va.

#### AUGUST

- 9-13, American School Food Service Assn. At San Francisco, Calif. Ex. Sec: Dr. John N. Perryman, P. O. Box 8811, Denver 10, Colo.
- 23—28, National Conference of Professors of Educational Administration.

  At University of Buffalo, Buffalo, N. Y. Planning Committee Chairman: Dr. Richard C. Lonsdale, Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. Y. Theme: Leadership Development in Administration.
- 25–28, The American Dietetic Assn. At Los Angeles, Calif. Ex. dir: Ruth M. Yakel, 620 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 11, III.

#### SEPTEMBER

28-Oct. 2, National Recreation Assn. At Chicago, III. Ex. Sec: Willard B. Stone, 8 W. Eighth St., N. Y. 11.

#### OCTOBER

6-9, Natl. Council on Schoolhouse Construction. At Kansas City, Mo. Ex.

- Sec: W. D. McClurkin, Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn.
- 11–15, Association of School Business Officials. At Miami Beach, Fla. Ex. Sec: Dr. Charles W. Foster, 1010 Church St., Evanston, III.
- 19–23, American Public Health Assn. At Atlantic City, N. J. Ex. Sec: Dr. Berwyn F. Mattison, 1790 Broadway, N. Y. 19.
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- 3–5, Natl. Asso. of Public School Adult Educators. At Buffalo, N. Y. Ex. Sec: Robert A. Luke, 1201 16th St. NW, Washington 6, D. C.
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#### THE HIGH SCHOOL IN A NEW ERA

Edited by Francis S, Chase and Harold A. Anderson, Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1958, 449 pp.

This volume is based on the papers presented by 38 educators and laymen at a conference sponsored by the University of Chicago in collaboration with the National Citizens' Council for Better Schools.

The contributions have been organized to reveal the historical significance of the high school for American society, the challenge which the high school faces in attempting to prepare American young people for life in our modern scientific age, and the capacity which the high school possesses to adapt itself to the new era. The papers presented in this volume deal with almost every conceivable problem which faces the administrator of the American high school. Each of the authors has presented a problem as viewed from his unique vantage point and advances suggestions which he thinks will resolve it.

Individually many ideas promoted in the papers will stimulate the serious-thinking administrator. Collectively the papers fulfill the purpose which the editors state as follows: "The suggestions advanced are intended not for uncritical acceptance but as fomenters of a great debate on how schools, which have served so well in the past, may make themselves equal to the even more exacting demands of the present and the onrushing future."

-- RICHARD R. SHORT Superintendent of Public Schools Hastings, Nebraska

#### THE EDUCATION OF THE INDIVIDUAL

By Alfred Adler. New York: Philosophical Library, Inc. 1958. 143 pp. \$3.50.

Dr. Adler presents a position with regard to the fundamental aim of education with implications for teaching in a thought provoking and refreshing manner.

From the point of view of a humanist with Freudian influence, the author develops his theme concerning the significance and importance of every individual as an end in himself. Under his provocative heading of "The Four Horsemen," Dr. Adler deals with relationships, equality, ephemeral moments, and relevance of actions as the four problems faced by an individual. At times it is difficult to follow the author's logic; but as it emerges from the philosophic premise, it becomes more apparent.

This book makes good reading anytime but particularly so in face of current criticisms of education.

— NORBERT J. NELSON
Assistant Professor of Education
Purdue University
Lafayette, Indiana

## THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION OF AMERICAN SCHOOLS—Second Edition

By Van Miller and Willard B. Spalding. Yonkers-on-Hudson, New York: 1958, 605 pp.

Community leaders, who are not professional educators, will find suggestions throughout the book for effective participation in public school administration, while administrators will find many practical procedures for more effective democratic operation. Surprising, but perhaps prophetic, is the section advocating the encouragement of collective bargaining units for school employees, including teachers.

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## THE PRACTICE OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS

By Herold C. Hunt and Paul R. Pierce, New York: Houghton-Mifflin Co. 1958,

A unique page "Historical Perspective" introducing each chapter and an ancillary use of research permitted the authors to concentrate on current practices with greater attention to larger school systems. In the opening chapters, an emphasis on curriculum and instruction support a basic concern for appropriate administrative relationships between the central administration and the individual school.

Chapters on the administration of higher education, the state and federal governments in education, and advancing school administration supplement topics usually included in such texts. The "basic principles" concluding each chapter afford an effective teaching aid through the use of a Socratic discussion approach.

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#### THE PHILIPPINE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

By Vitaliano Bernardino. Quezon City: Phoenix Press, Inc. 1958.

Mr. Bernardino has presented the historical development, current operation, impact on community life, and the anticipated future of the Philippine Community School.

The author's treatment of the why, what, and how of the programs carried on by the various Philippine Community Schools indicates that their development has contributed significantly to improvements in literacy rate, curricula, teacher training programs, teaching techniques, and community living.

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> —ROBERT J. STALCUP Assistant Principal University High School University of Nebraska Lincoln

#### Also Noted . . .

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION IN THE MODERN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

By Charles A. Bucher and Evelyn M. Reade, New York: The Macmillan Company, 1958, 437 pp., \$5.50.

#### PAMPHLETS OF INTEREST

#### Audio-Visual

Educational Screen & Audio-Visual Guide-1958 Blue Book Issue is the August issue of this periodical and lists the various types of new material brought out the preceding year. They are listed under a subject index. An alphabetical title index, a directory of listed sources and instructions on the use of the Blue Book are also included. Educational Screen & Audio-Visual Guide, 2000 Lincoln Park West Bldg., Chicago 14, III. \$1.

#### Curriculum

Let's Create by Mary K. Leonard. The elementary teacher, interested in encouraging a creative art program, will find this booklet helpful. It stresses the idea of letting the child experiment for himself. Curriculum Service Series No. 2. Center for Educational Service, College of Education, Ohio University, Athens. 1958. 57 pp. \$1.

#### Reading

Readability: An Appraisal of Research and Application, by Jeanne S. Chall, is a study in which the author traces the beginnings of readability and attempts to show what affects comprehension of materials and the usefulness in predicting and controlling the level of difficulty of such materials. Published by the Bureau of Educational Research and Service, Ohio State University, Columbus 10, Ohio. 202 pp. \$4.

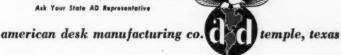
Standards for Survey of Reading Material in Public School, by William B. Terrell, is an abridgement of the author's thesis in which he developed a comprehensive standard for adequacy for printed materials in public schools. Published by the Gulf School Research Development Association, 3801 Cullen Boulevard, Houston 4, Texas. 77 pp. \$1.25.





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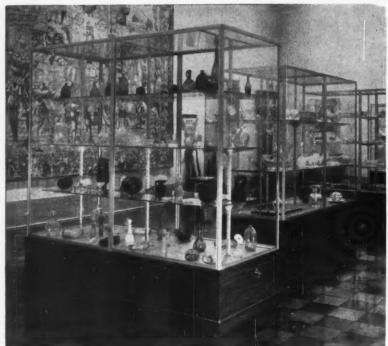
### Teaching

A Classroom Teacher's Guide to Physical Education by C. Eric Pearson, is No. 17 of the series Practical Suggestions for Teaching. This pamphlet will be of interest to those elementary-school classroom teachers who feel their preparation inadequate to direct the physical education program of their pupils. Bureau of Publications, Teachers College, Columbia University. N. Y. 27. 1958. 127 pp. \$1.50.

#### Reports

Quality Control Guide. This booklet presents data on a number of measures related to educational quality in a school system. It reports on ability, effort, expenditures, salaries, staffing adequacy, elementary staff, secondary staff and quality. Central School Boards Committee for Educational Research, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York 27, 1958, 25 pp.

Progress of Public Education in the United States of America 1957–58. This is a summary report of U. S. Office of Education to the 21st International Conference on Public Education in Geneva, Switzerland, July 7–16, 1958, jointly sponsored by UNESCO and the International Bureau of Education. HEW. 1958. 26 pp.\*



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## They Eat to Music

by SAMUEL B. KERMOIAN



THE ELEMENTARY ADMINISTRATORS in the San Francisco Unified School District look on the school cafeteria as a laboratory to be utilized for the development of a lifetime concept of good eating habits. They believe that the lunch program also affords an invaluable opportunity to teach children, through direct experiences, socially acceptable table manners, good sanitation procedures and an appreciation of an appropriate environment for meals. In attempting to reach and influence as many of the students as possible, principals have been looking for ways to make the lunch period more relaxing and pleasing. Music has been used as one approach by some administrators.

Many of the factors which influence cafeteria patronage—cost of service, size of portion, quality of food, variation of menus—are determined centrally and cannot be modified to any great extent by the building principal, The atmosphere of the school cafeteria, however, can be controlled.

A typical example of music in action in elementary school cafeterias in San Francisco is found at the Lafayette School. Visitors to the school are impressed that the lunch hour can be such a pleasant and relaxing period. It is not the excellence of the food, the quality of the service, nor the cleanliness of the facilities, alone, which make for this pleasant climate. Music makes the difference.

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Dr. Kermoian is the principal of the Farragut-Ortega Schools in San Francisco, California.

## SCHOOL LUNCH

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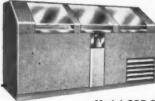
The power of music to refresh the nerves and spirit has been known since the beginnings of civilization as evidenced by the worksongs of the most primitive peoples.

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Does music help in achieving a pleasant cafeteria atmosphere? Students, school personnel and parents agree that it does. Cafeteria patronage at schools where music is used is higher than average. Soft background music is conducive to quiet lunchtable conversation; some principals firmly believe that it has directly effected a lowering of overall noise levels. Supervision is easier and more pleasant. Parents have reported favorable reaction from their children and have voluntarily loaned and donated recordings.

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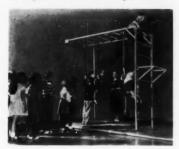


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The Klopp portable counter is now equipped with a new larger reserve tray. This speeds up and simplifies the collector's location counting job. The tray is an integral part of the coin counter. It folds over the machine as a protective cover for the mechanism when in transit and has a carrying handle welded to it.

The unit counts up to 1800 coins per minute; it also inserts them in wrappers for deposit, all in one operation. The machine can be used anywhere since it is completely hand operated and requires no electrical hook-up. It is compact and with the reserve tray folded, measures only  $8 \times 9 \times 10^{\prime\prime}$ . The machine weighs only 13 lbs.

KLOPP ENGINEERING, INC., 35551 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, Mich.

#### **ALUMINUM SCAFFOLD** SE-310 Adjusts for Stairway Work



Bil-Jax's all-purpose aluminum scaffold unit may be rolled through doorways and is adjustable to work on stairways. The complete rolling scaffold weighs only 77 lbs., including casters, making it easy for one man to lift, assemble, disassemble, maneuver and transport.

The single unit is 6'6" high, 28" wide, and 7' long. The arm braces permit working over and around objects such as desks and machines. The expanded aluminum work platform may be placed on any rung, and extra ladder sections in 3, 4, 5, and 6 foot lengths may be added to go higher.

BIL-JAX, INC., Archbold, Ohio.

### METAL CANE FOLDING CHAIR SE-311 Of Durable Lightweight Steel

An attractive, newly designed metal cane folding chair is being marketed by Lyon Metal Products, Inc. The resilient channel frame construction permits the chair to adjust to uneven floors without permanent frame distortion, even under extreme testing conditions which are never equalled in normal use. Large, comfortable curved seats and back were designed by seating experts to match body contours.

LYON METAL PRODUCTS, INC., Aurora,

SE-285

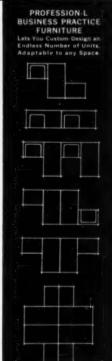
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CRAMER POSTURE CHAIR CO. INC., 623 ADAMS, DEPT. \$E-6 KANSAS CITY, KANSAS

## 8" MONITOR SE-312 Designed for Closed-Circuit TV

Miratel, Inc. has announced an 8" monitor which has been engineered specifically for the educational, broadcast, and closed-circuit TV field. The unit is 9¾" high, 12¾" wide, and 16" deep. Weight is 32 lbs. The front panel is removable for cleaning the safety glass and picture tube. This model gives 600 line resolution and has stable sync circuitry, making it highly compatible for use with industrial cameras. Video input is high impedance looping for



signal levels of .3 to 1.5 volts to full contrast.

The unit is attractively packaged in a metal cabinet finished in a gray hammer, and the controls are found on the front panel.

Miratel, Inc., 1080 Dionne St., St. Paul, Minn.

## LAWN SPRINKLER SE-313 Designed for Confined Areas



A new lawn sprinkler, known as the B-Line, is adjustable and can be set to cover all or any part of a circle. At 25 lbs. pressure, a grounds maintenance man can water a full circle 50' in diameter, or reset the unit for a quarter circle, half circle, or any part of a circle, to cover corners or sides of a square or rectangular area.

A fine, misty spray is produced, even on a small volume of water, yet this will cover all corners thoroughly. This unit is built for heavy-duty use with lifetime bearings, working parts of bronze, and the adjustment feature which cannot creep, corrode or stick.

BUCKNER MFG. Co., INC., 1615 Blackstone Ave., Fresno 8, Calif.

## INTERNAL CONTAINER CLAMP SE-314 Has Holding Pressure of 2000 Lbs.

A new container clamp for internal applications, utilizing a recently developed worm-gear lock mechanism, has been announced by The Bassick Company. The new worm-gear clamp is completely concealed within the container, except for the hex screw-head used for opening the clamp. The hidden clamp mechanism cannot be subjected to direct bumps or shocks or environmental extremes.

With a holding pressure of 2000 lbs., the clamp can provide effective seating against moisture and outside pressure variations and can meet severe requirements as to shock and vibration resistance. The gear lock clamp is economical and saves on labor costs in mounting, opening and closing.

THE BASSICK Co., Bridgeport, Conn.



## SCHOOL FURNITURE LINE SE-315 Of Wood and Tubular Steel



The Irwin Seating Co. announces a new, stylized line of school furniture, the 3/R line. Available in this new series are chairs, tables, desks and chairdesk units.

All book-box desk tops are of the newly-developed, Monosteel. Wide spread, tubular steel legs are tapered to give the 3/R line a styling of grace and beauty combined with durability for longer classroom life. Metal surfaces have a soft, pastel mar-resistant finish, secured by complete bonderization. A new type of nylon glide gives the desks and chairs a firm footing.

The compound-curved hardwood seats and backs supply good posture and genuine student comfort. All chairs have been styled for quick, easy stacking. The desk and table writing surfaces are of G-E Textolite, color grained to match wood surfaces of the chairs.

Tables are styled with the same neat, clean appearance and have matching swaged legs. They are available in round, rectangular and trapezoidal shapes to adapt to today's classroom arrangements. In heights ranging from 23 to 29½ inches.

Desks have been designed in 4 different heights and all chairs are available in 6 sizes covering every age group from kindergarten to adult.

IRWIN SEATING Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.

## SCHOOL BALL PENS SE-316 New Family Available

The Eberhard Faber Pencil Co, has just placed on the market their new family of School Ball Pens designed to give the best possible service on the type of paper most commonly used by school systems. Each woodcased pen has its own particular use.

School #165 is a desk pen with blue ink, while #166 has red ink. Both pens feel like a pencil and were developed to produce neater writing.

#905 School Fine-Writing Pen is made expressly for use in penmanship and commercial classes including accounting, bookkeeping, and ledger work.

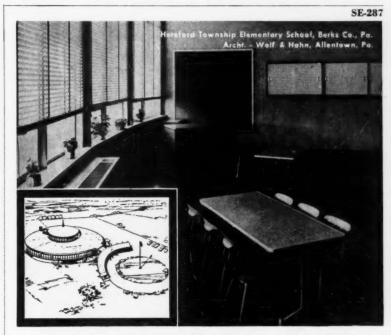
#925 School Desk Ball Pen is a blue ink pen with an eraser tip. The eraser is manufactured especially for eraser ball pen inks and corrections are made easily and rapidly.

EBERHARD FABER PENCIL Co., Crestwood, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

## LOW POWER MICROSCOPE SE-317 Very Low in Cost

A new microscope designed by Edmund Scientific Co. is ideal for examining rock, sand, minerals, studying stamps and coins, dissecting insects, examining snowflakes and other crystals, seed and plant inspection, etc. Made from quality war surplus optical components, the microscope combines many features usually found in much higher priced units.

EDMUND SCIENTIFIC Co., Barrington, N. I.



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Two colors are available: white and metallic grey.

THE GENERAL TIRE & RUBBER Co., Bolta Products Div., Lawrence, Mass.

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## CAFETERIA COUNTER DESIGN SE-319 In Ceramic Fired-On Colors

The addition of rectangular, prismatic glass shapes and ceramic fired-on colors to the Owens-Illinois new Thinlite Curtain Wall System has been announced by Kimble Glass Co. Colorful, mosaic patterns can be created by the architect with the eleven different colors available.

The modular  $4' \times 2'$  and  $5' \times 2'$  panels are two inches thick, provide both an inside and outside finished wall and have extruded aluminum, interlocking perimeters. They are secured to struts by a bolt-assembly fastened by simple screwdriver.

Basic panels are in three tints: Rice Paper White, Sunlight Yellow and Cool Green. Permanent, ceramic, fired-on exterior colors include chinese red, golden yellow, indigo, bronze, turquoise green, peacock blue, charcoal grey, and ebony. Colors of choice may be intermixed, using combinations of the square and rectangular shapes to provide the mosaic look.

KIMBLE GLASS Co., SUBSIDIARY OF OWENS-ILLINOIS, Toledo 1, Ohio.

## CURTAIN WALL PANELS SE-320 Features Uncluttered Appearance



The new Blickman cafeteria counter is set up on pedestals with 4-ft centers. Impediments to cleaning, such as cracks, crevices, or inaccessible spaces that can harbor dirt or food particles have been eliminated. The new counter is also free from below-counter cabinets and shelving.

Counter depth is determined by the requirements of the apron. Plumbing and electrical utilities are run through the pedestal. All facilities are concealed with lateral arms to water or waste outlets contained within the confines of the apron. Pipes are easily accessible for maintenance through easy-to-remove panels.

S. BLICKMAN, INC., 8400 Gregory Ave., Weehawken, N. J. SE-321

## TELESCOPING WORK PLATFORM For Overhead Spot Maintenance



The Elevator-Size Tallescope is a compact telescoping work platform for overhead spot maintenance which fits inside any normal size elevator or storage closet and rolls through doorways. Measuring approximately 6' long by 6'7" high and 28" wide, it unfolds into a telescoping platform extendable for reaching heights up to 20'.

The unit is made of aluminum, rolls with the job, and can be assembled quickly by one man.

Up-Right Scaffolds, 1013 Pardee St., Berkeley 10, Calif.

#### PORTABLE LABORATORY SE-322 For Elementary, Jr. High Schools



The MobiLab enables elementary and junior high schools to use the same scientific equipment in several classrooms. Among this unit's features are: a fixed, thermostatically controlled heating unit; built-in water supply; automatic retracting extension cord; electrical outlet; stainless steel basin and hardware. It is made from sturdy birch hardwood and finished with a new wear-resistant paint.

Specially-designed sliding storage panels of colorful Marlite Peg-Board, a perforated hardboard with a factory-baked plastic finish, replace conventional drawers and boxes.

The MobiLab is 48" long, 28" wide, and 36" high.

MobiLab Mfg. Co., Box 101, Millbrae, Calif.

## OFFICE CHAIRS SE-323 Available in 5 Models

The new K series of office chairs is classically simple in appearance and is

designed to be compatible with steel or wood furniture. The steel tubular frame, in a new "wall saver design" forms a stylized K, from which the series gets its name.

Models 1400 and 1421 are side chairs. Models 1402, 1423, and K22-DO are swivel chairs with the basic posture chair adjustments. Seat and back cushions on all five models are made of molded foam latex.

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## CAFETERIA STORAGE TRUCK SE-324 Takes Dishes, Trays

A heavy-duty stainless steel dish and tray storage truck with accessories has been announced by Lakeside Mfg., Inc. The truck is designed and built to carry 500 lbs. of dishes or trays easily and safely. Only 32" high, it slides compactly under average counters, and may be loaded or unloaded easily from one side.

Heavy-duty, ball-bearing 8" swivel casters assure finger-tip handling, silent gliding. Overall construction of the Im-



perial 707 is 18 gauge stainless steel with  $1'' \times 1'' \times 1''_8$ '' stainless steel angle frame. All seams are electronically welded.

LAKESIDE MFG., INC., 1977 S. Allis St., Milwaukee 7, Wis.

## MOPPING BUCKETS SE-325 Can Be Hooked Together



The new Geerpres Convertible mopping bucket can be used by itself for small jobs or in conjunction with another Convertible as a twin-tank unit for larger areas and jobs requiring two different solutions. The buckets are designed so that it is easy to hook two units together.

Smudges, dents and scratches on furniture, walls, and woodwork when mopping floors are prevented by the heavyduty, non-marking rubber bumper that completely encircles the base of the bucket.

GEERPRES WRINGER, INC., P.O. Box 658, Muskegon, Mich.

#### LIGHT CONTROL

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#### **Acts Like Thermostat**

Called Luxtrol Automatic Light Controller, a new light control system measures daylight and balances it with electric light to assure a constant level of room illumination.

Nerve center of the system is the Lumistat, a dial which pre-sets the desired amount of room light. A photoelectric scanner is mounted where it can best monitor the lighted area to measure the amount of combined daylight and artificial light in the room. This information is relayed to a signal station, which compares the reading to the Lumistat setting. If the readings differ, signals are sent to the Luxtrol Light Controller which dims or brightens the lights to maintain the desired level.

SUPERIOR ELECTRIC Co., Bristol, Conn.



## SCHOOL FURNITURE LINE SE-327 Designed for Function and Economy



The School-quip furniture line includes three styles of chair-desks, two styles of combination units, three styles of desks, and one style of chair to match. Each unit is available in a wide variety of sizes to meet all classroom requirements. In addition, they are light in weight for easy arrangement and adaptable for any type of class or lecture room requirement.

This furniture is constructed from heavy tubular steel and is resistance welded for maximum strength. All metal surfaces are coated and etched prior to electrostatic spraying with baked enamel to assure a chip-proof, mar-resistant finish. Plywood seats and backs are made with Northern hard maple or yellow birch faces and desks have a plastic surface with birch pattern.

School-QUIP Div., YARD-MAN, INC., Jackson, Mich.

## ELECTROSTATIC MACHINE SE-328 Developed for Classroom Use

Wimshurst Electrostatic Machines are now being offered to schools at a cost low enough to suit the tightest budgets. The cost factor, plus the machine's usefulness in teaching electrical fundamentals, is resulting in its adoption by schools throughout the country.

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ture lightning bolts with a midget lightning rod, cause luminous plates to light up, and perform many other experiments.

EDMUND SCIENTIFIC Co., Barrington, N. J.

### LOW COST INCINERATOR SE-329 Capacity is 6 Bushels

A new low-cost, outdoor incinerator has been announced by Alsto Co. The unit is shipped assembled and requires no installation cost or auxiliary fuel. It will burn waste paper, packing, cartons, sweepings, food scraps, rags—burnable refuse of all kinds—to fine ash in any weather. It requires no watching—simply load, ignite and forget. Scientific draft control burns damp, green, or dry refuse without fire danger and nuisance of burning, blowing bits of paper.

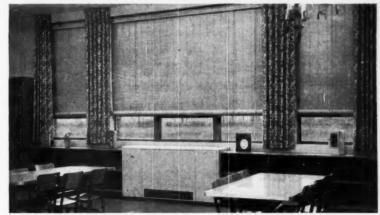
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Alsto Co., 4007 Detroit Ave., Cleveland 13, Ohio,

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#### SE-401 India

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#### SE-402 Atomic Energy

Inside the Atom. 16mm 11 min. Black and white. What atomic energy is, how it can be handled, and its potential uses, are shown in a visit to Canada's Chalk River atomic research center. The film is sufficiently non-technical to provide an understanding of atomic energy for the lay audience. Approved by the Federal Civil Defense Administration. THE NA-TIONAL FILM BOARD OF CANADA, 620 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

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SE-403 American Farming

From This Land. 16mm color film. Freeloan. This quarter-hour film shows how conservation, modern farming techniques, crop rotation, science, and mechanized heavy-duty equipment have contributed to the abundance that comes "from this land." The theme of the film is that industry is teamed with agriculture to the benefit of all, and that the people of America are reaping the harvest that mechanization has brought about. The story is told to a young boy by his father as the camera shows scenes of American farmland under cultivation, harvesting of crops, movement of produce to market, the working of the soil by tractor and other units, and the yield that various parts of the country produce. Associa-TION FILMS, INC., 347 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

#### SE-404 Field Hockey

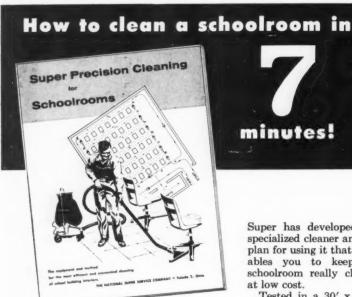
A set of six filmstrips, in full color, and with captions on field hockey is now available. Titles are: Part I: The Game; Part II: Fouls & Penalties Outside the Circle; Part III: Fouls & Penalties Inside the Circle; Part IV: Coaching Suggestions; Part V: Questions and Answers; and Part VI: Umpiring. The set is made to correlate with the new book by Lees and Shellenberger, "Field Hockey for Players, Coaches and Umpires." The filmstrips interpret through original drawings, many of the rules, strokes, positions on the field, offsides, roll-ins, corners and bullies. TEACHING AIDS SERVICE, 31 Union Square West, New York 3, N. Y.

#### SE-405 Copper

The Copper Network. 16mm film. Free. The utilization of copper, from the digging of the ore to the making of electrical wire and cable to help serve America's power needs, is depicted in this new film. Viewers learn about the copper network through the experience of a progressive young mayor who finds he needs copper wire and cable to obtain electric power that will help him modernize his town. Following him on a tour of a mill, the audience listens along with the mayor as the complexities of wire and cable production are explained in easy-to-understand terms. Bureau of Mines, Graphic Services, 4800 Forbes St., Pittsburgh 13, Pa.

#### SE-406 Canadian Geography

Prepared with the advice of Canadian educators, a new film series carefully examines the physical regions of Canada to show how the areas were formed, their influence on the way of life of the people, and the location of the rich resources they contribute to the economy and the joint defense of North America. Titles are: Physical Regions of Canada, Mountains of the West, The Great Plains, The Precambrian Shield, The Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Lowlands, The Atlantic Region, and Winter in Canada. THE NA-TIONAL FILM BOARD OF CANADA, Canada House, 680 Fifth Ave., New York 19,



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#### SE-407 Portable Electric Scoreboard

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#### SE-408 Public Address Speakers, Components

Catalog No. 78A106. University announces a new product catalog containing full information, illustrations and specifications of all their new and current public address speakers and components. UNIVERSITY LOUDSPEAKERS, INC., 80 S. Kensico Ave., White Plains, N. Y.

#### SE-409 Sheet Chalkboards, Tackboards

Catalog No. C-20. This 12-page catalog describes and illustrates the Rowles line of sheet chalkboard and tackboard, aluminum trim and accessories. A special feature of the catalog is the prefabricated board section which suggests combinations of pre-framed chalkboard, tackboard and/or pegboard that can be mounted directly to the wall. Architectural specifications and installation details are included. E. W. A. Rowles Co., 104 N. Hickory St., Arlington Heights, Ill.

#### SE-410 Convertible Lunchroom Seating

Sico Equipment for Schools and Institutions. 16 pp. The new Sico line of table seating equipment is detailed in this brochure. The literature pictures and describes the portable folding tables which are designed to efficiently implement multiple use of space. The products range from rectangular table and bench combinations of various lengths to portable units of round, square or rectangular shapes. Each unit is tailored for a specific purpose in effective use of space for seating and eating. Sico Mfg. Co., Inc., Dept. KP, 5215 Eden Ave., S., Minneapolis 24, Minn.

#### SE-411 Pencil Sharpener Manual

A Practical Manual on Pencil Sharpeners for Custodians. Everything that a custodian should know about pencil sharpeners is included in this unusually helpful leaflet. Proper location, the various models for different uses, maintenance, etc. are all detailed. C. Howard Hunt Pen Co., Camden 1, N. J.

#### SE-412 Fire Extinguishing Systems

The Fyr-Fyter Company has just issued a new 28-page brochure covering its nine major brands of interior fire extinguishing systems, portable extinguishers, cabinets and other inside fire control products. Every type of modern interior fire control system, automatic sprinkler, carbon dioxide, dry chemical, foam and smoke detection, is described and illustrated in the colorful brochure. The Fyre-Fyrer Co., Customer Service Dept., 221 Crane St., Dayton 1, Ohio.

#### SE-413 Tempered Glass

Bulletin L-120-M. A bulletin giving full information on the new heat-resistant tempered glass corridor lens has been issued by Corning Glass Works. The fourpage brochure covers product data on the Corning #543201 Tempered Corridor Lenslite and the C-201 specular Alzak reflector. Together they form an im-

proved double-function optical system, providing uniform lighting of extended floor areas and supplemental lighting of adjacent sidewall areas. Corning Glass Works, Lighting Sales Dept., Corning, N. Y.

#### SE-414 Business Practice Furniture

The New Way to Teach 5 classes in 1 room. This new six-page catalog features the suitable combinations for all class-rooms from Cramer Modular Units. Over 35 Modular Desk combinations can be made from 4 basic units. Profusely illustrated, in color, model numbers are included along with dimensions and specifications. Cramer Posture Chair Co., INC., 625 Adams, Kansas City, Kan.

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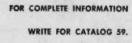
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